Archdiocesan Restructuring Workbook

St. Malachy Parish

Sterling Heights

Planning Area 12

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About the Workbook

There are three sections of this workbook, each one equips priests and key parish leaders with essential data about:

1) The Archdiocese of Detroit
2) Your planning area
3) Your parish

This workbook serves as a planning resource to support thoughtful reflection on the current strengths and future opportunities for ministry and evangelization within each planning area.

Prayer for Archdiocesan Restructuring

Come, Holy Spirit.

Make your presence known as we restructure the parishes
and ministries of our archdiocese.

Be our light on the path we walk together.
Help us hear your voice in the quiet of our own hearts,
in the wisdom of others and in the world around us.

We know you are with us in every step of the process.
Give us clarity, understanding, and direction.
In all things, help us share the light of your love. Amen.

Ste. Anne, pray for us.
Blessed Solanus Casey, pray for us.
Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us.

Why Archdiocesan Restructuring?

Many parishes were built or grew in a time when Christian values and assumptions were the norm. Faith was inherited and the Church held cultural influence.

There is no doubt that the culture around us, both in the United States and locally in the Archdiocese of Detroit, has changed. The mission, however, has not; it has always been to “go and make disciples” (Matthew 28:19)

Why Archdiocesan Restructuring?

I dream of a "missionary option", that is, a missionary impulse capable of transforming everything, so that the Church's customs, ways of doing things, times and schedules, language and structures can be suitably channeled for the evangelization of today's world rather than for her self-perseveration.

Evangelii Gaudium, 27

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The renewal of structures demanded by pastoral conversion can only be understood in this light, as part of an effort to make them more mission-oriented, to make ordinary pastoral activity on every level more inclusive and open, to inspire in pastoral workers a constant desire to go forth and in this way to elicit a positive response from all those whom Jesus summons to friendship with himself.

Evangelii Gaudium, 27

Archdiocesan Restructuring Process

Why?

As we move forward on mission, we must first address the challenges of our changing culture, which include demographic and financial shifts, a decline in the practice of the faith, and fewer priests serving our archdiocese. These challenges have resulted in limited resources to serve, sustain, and grow the Church in Detroit.

How?

The Archdiocesan Restructuring process will examine the existing Families of Parishes structure, as well as the structure of the Curia, to discern how we can be structured and how our resources can be best aligned "for the evangelization of today's world rather than for [our] self-preservation" (Evangelii Gaudium, 27).

Archdiocesan Restructuring Challenges

Our Goal for Restructuring

Develop a new pastorate model authored by the Holy Spirit that establishes a vibrant Catholic presence in every area of the Archdiocese of Detroit.

Vibrant Parishes

Gospel renewal in our parishes and other ministry efforts

Flourishing Priests

Priests flourishing in their ministry to parishes and the greater community

Mission Ready

Secure a vibrant future for the Church of Detroit

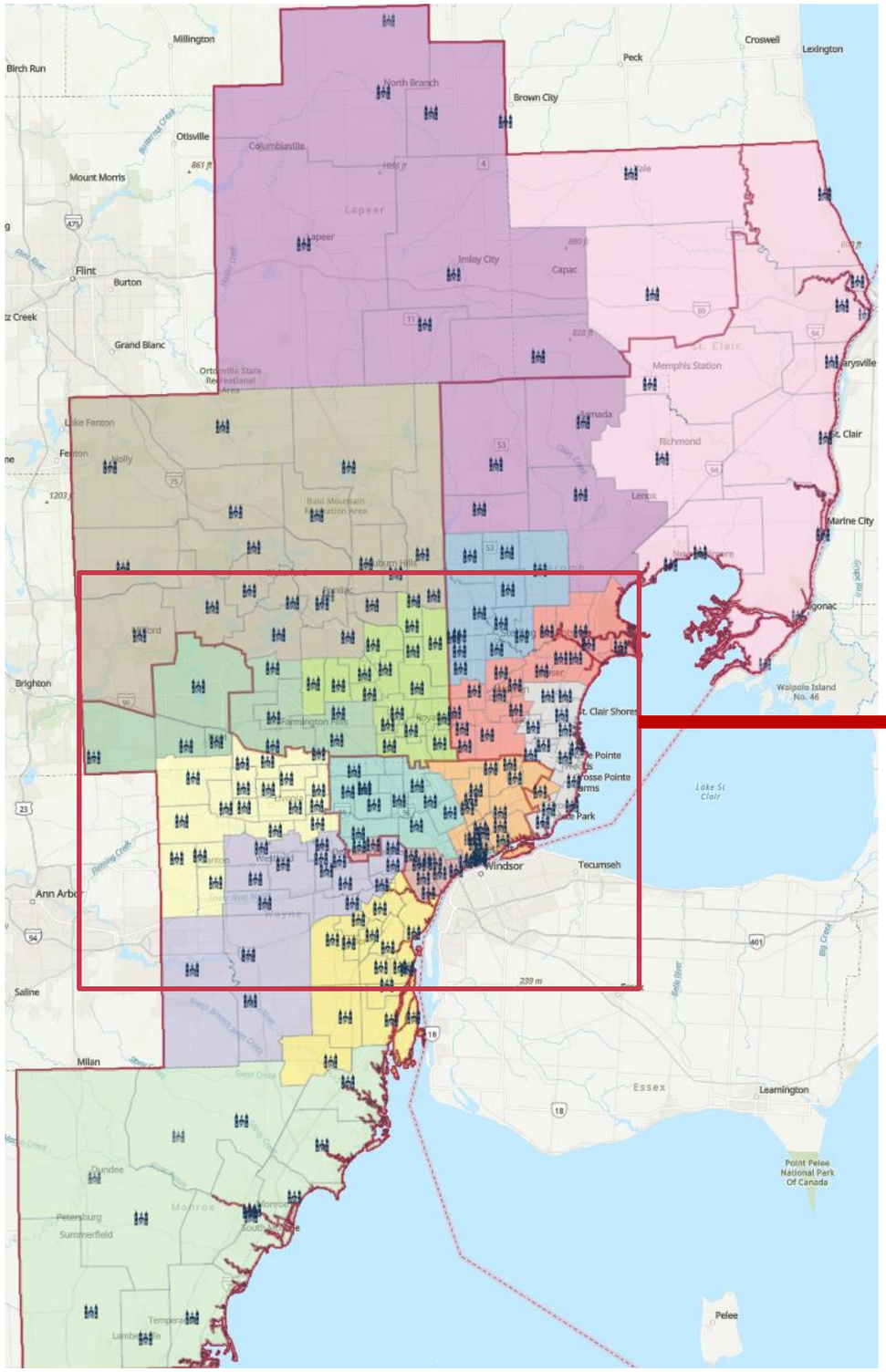
Section One

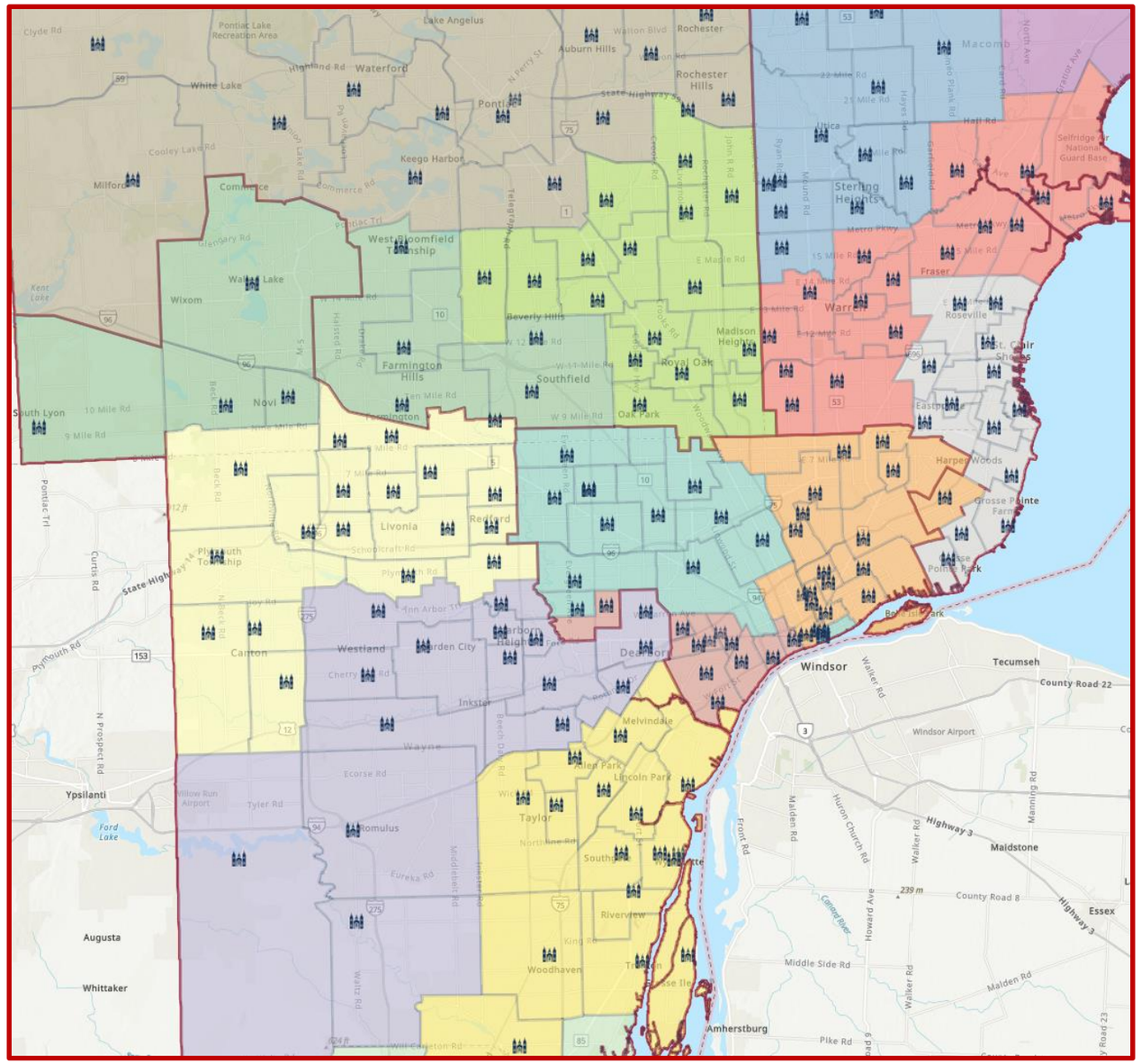
The Archdiocese of Detroit

About our Archdiocese

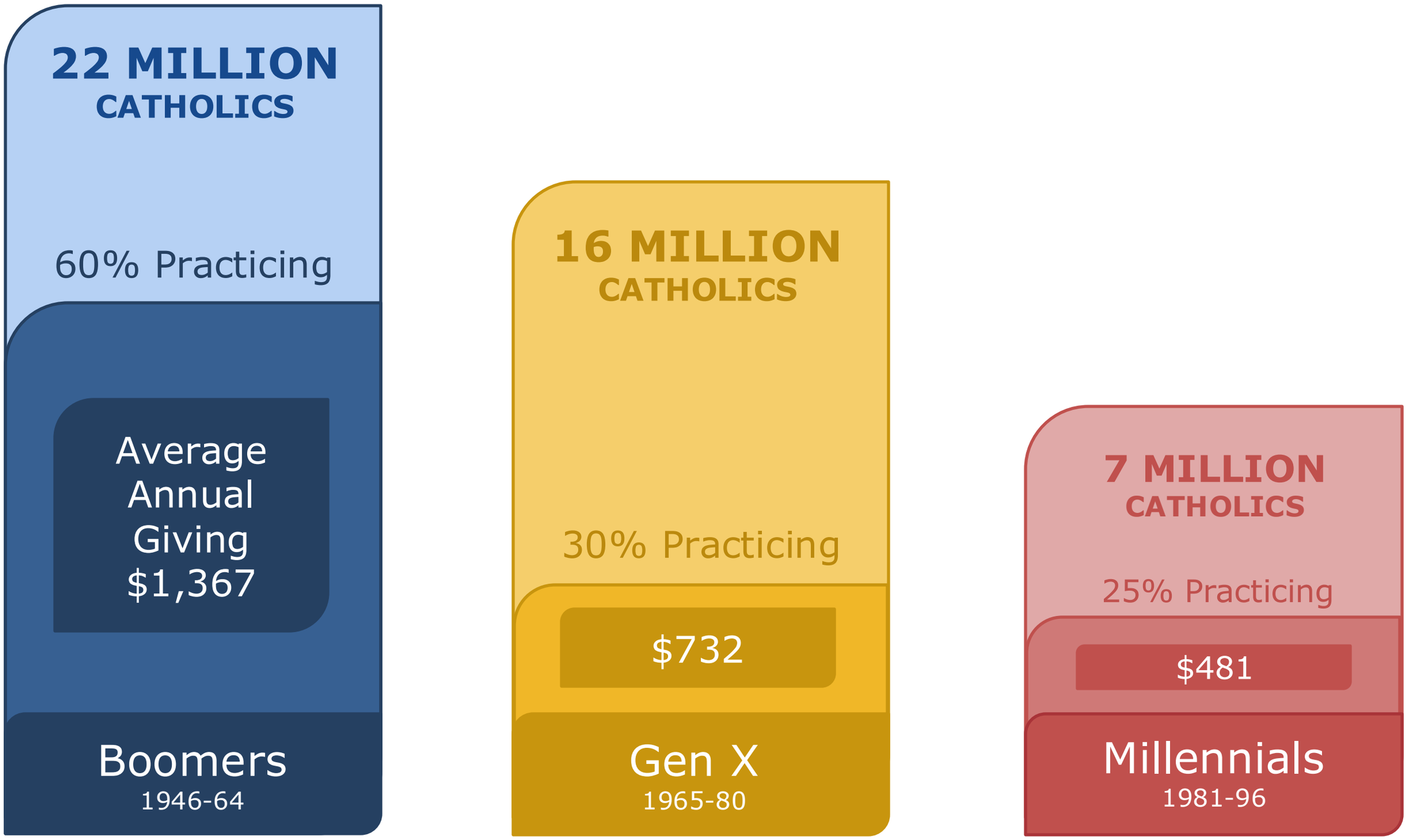
- The Archdiocese of Detroit is comprised of 209 parishes encompassing the City of Detroit and six surrounding counties – a large and diverse territory: urban, suburban and rural.
- Our local church has been declining for several decades as older Catholics move or die and there are insufficient number of young Catholics to take their place.
- This is best exemplified by the significant decline in the number of births and baptisms in our diocese.
- As our Catholic population has moved from the city to the near suburbs and from the near suburbs to the farther out suburbs, this has resulted in too few priests in large parishes and too many priests in small parishes.
- Our diocesan priests are aging and the number of priests to serve our Catholic population is declining.
- Over the past decade, Mass attendance has been on a steady decline. Despite a rebound from 2020 to 2024, Mass attendance remains 14.7% below pre-COVID levels.
- The current average rate of Mass attendance decline each year across the Archdiocese is 4%.

Our Territory for Evangelization



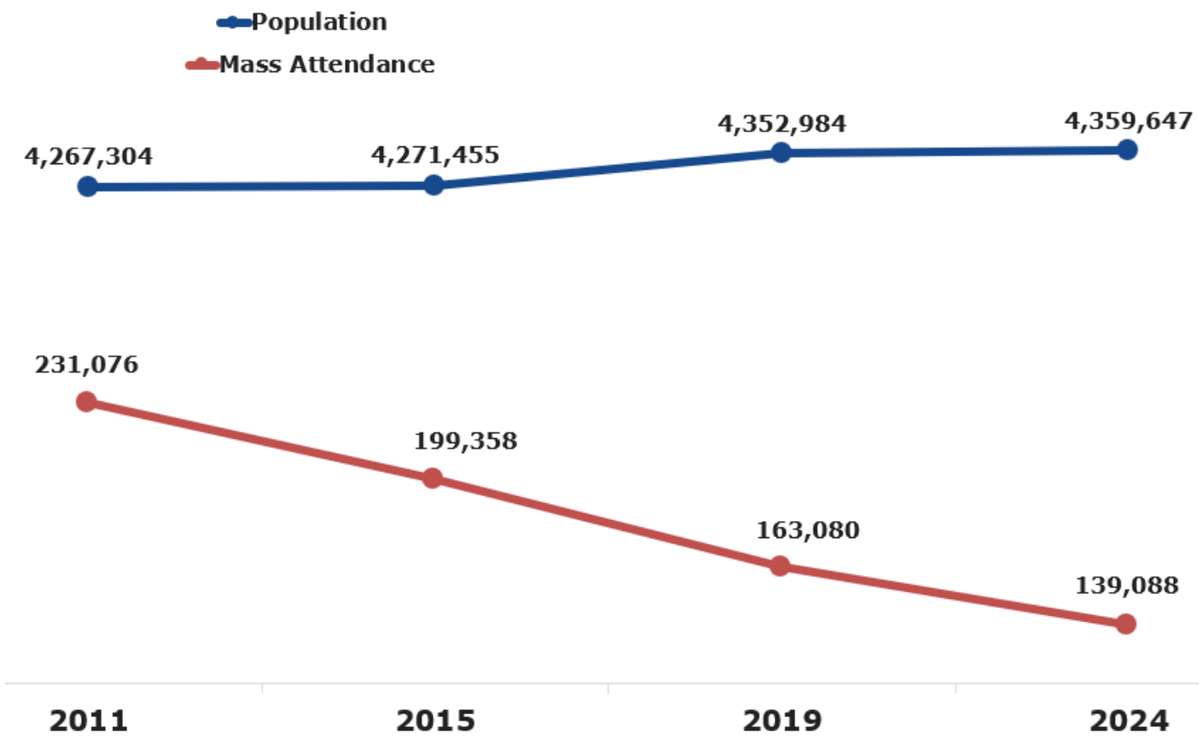


Nationally, Practice and Generosity are Declining with Each Generation



Source: Catholic Leadership Institute | CARA | Pew Research

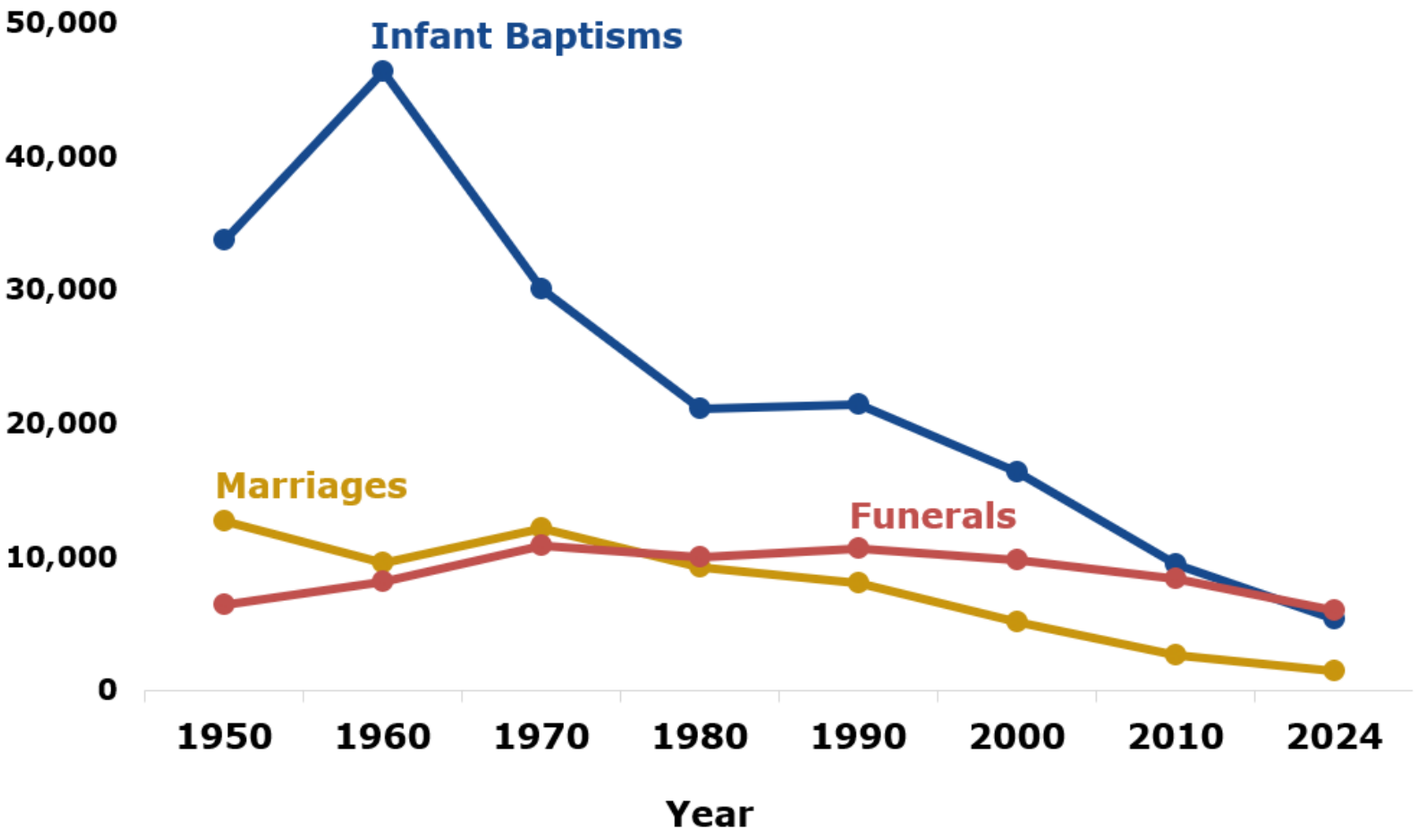
As Greater Detroit Population Grows, Regular Mass Attendance Continues to Decline



Population Source: Michigan Senate Fiscal Agency

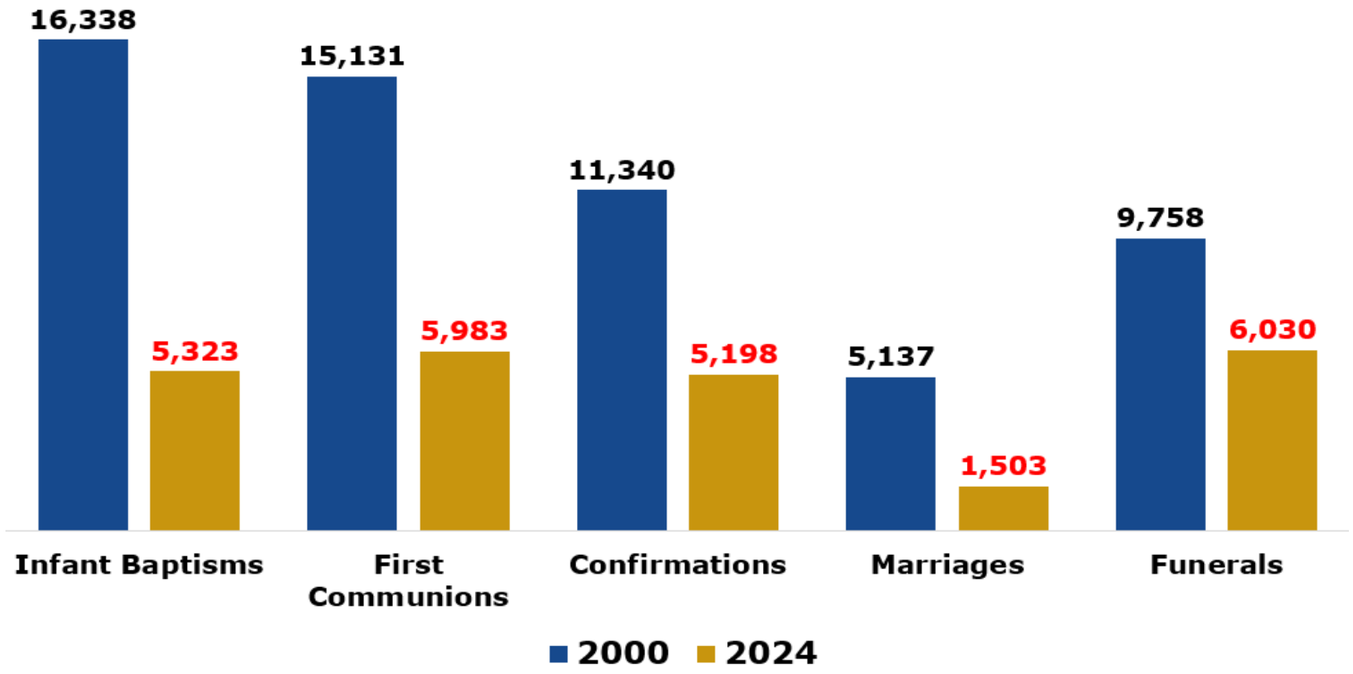
- **Mass attendance has declined by nearly 92,000 people since 2011, dropping from 231,076 to 139,088 by 2024 – a 40% decrease in just 13 years.**
- The decline is persistent across every period, not a one-time drop:
  - 2011 -> 2015: down 31,718 (-13.7%)
  - 2015 -> 2019: down 36,278 (-18.2%)
  - 2019 -> 2024: down 23,993 (-14.7%)
- On average, Mass attendance has fallen by about 4% per year, meaning roughly 1 in every 25 regular attendees is lost annually if the trend continues.
- At the current rate of decline, one-third of today's Mass-attending Catholics will no longer be attending within the next decade.
- In 2024, only 29% of pews were occupied across the Archdiocese of Detroit.

Our Church is Growing Older, Not Younger



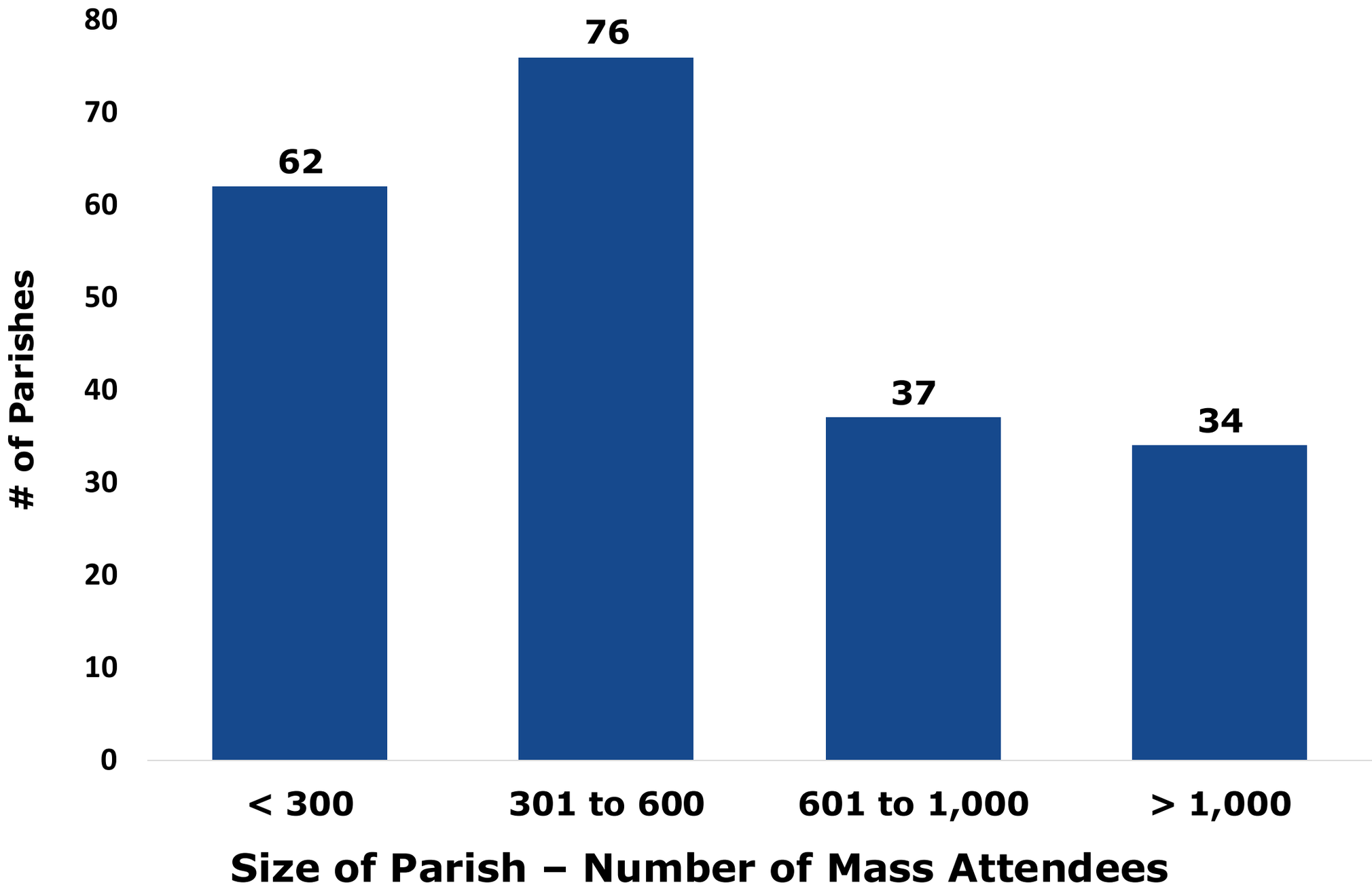
- Infant baptisms have declined the most dramatically—by roughly 60-70% from peak to present, showing a sharp and sustained drop after an early high point and signaling a major contraction in new families entering the Church sacramentally.
- Marriages have fallen by approximately 40-50% over the period shown, with a brief early increase followed by a steady, long-term decline, ending at their lowest level in the most recent year.
- Funerals have remained comparatively stable, fluctuating within roughly a 10-20% range, before tapering downward—indicating that overall sacramental life is increasingly weighted toward later stages of life rather than beginnings.

Funerals Now Exceed All Other Sacraments

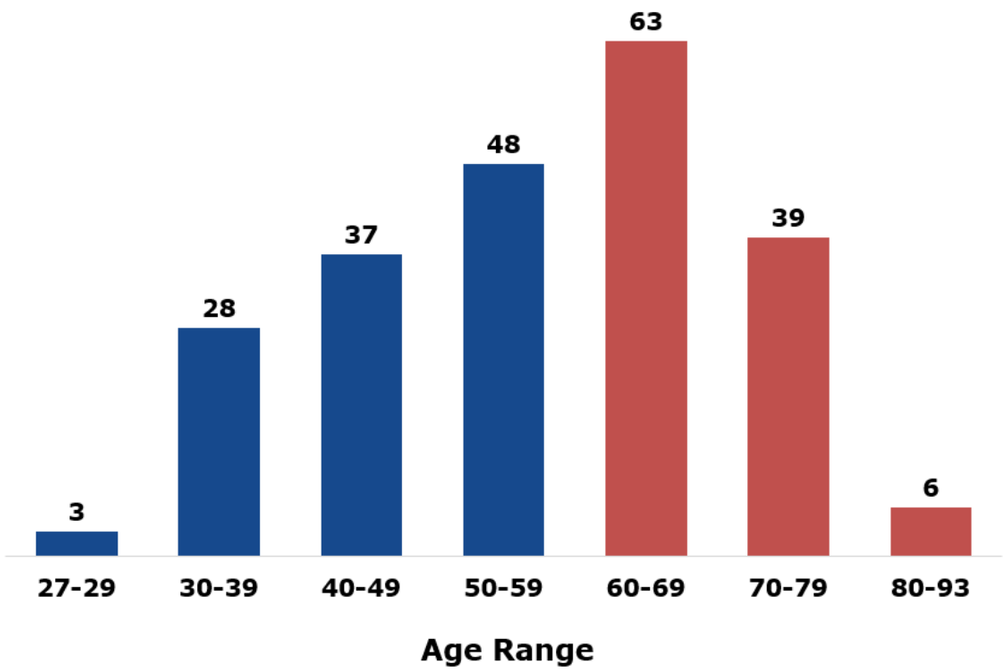


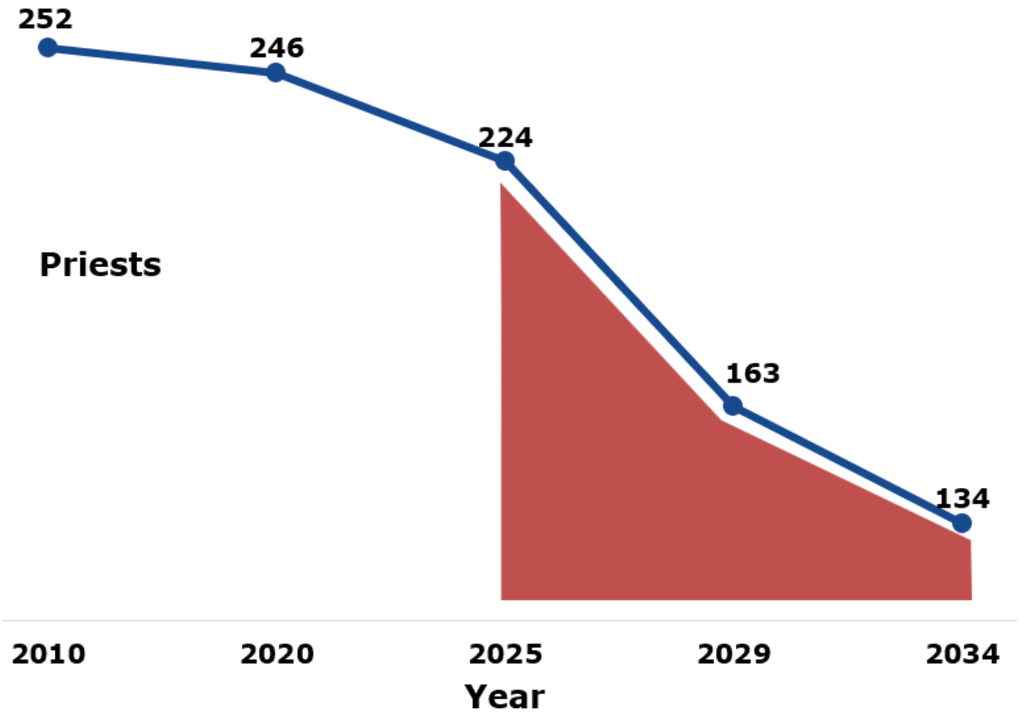
- Funerals now exceed every other sacrament at roughly 6,000 annually, surpassing baptisms, marriages, and confirmations individually.
- Baptisms and marriages remain at or below 5,000 per year, reinforcing earlier trends showing fewer people entering and forming within the Church.
- Sacramental life is increasingly concentrated at end-of-life, reflecting an aging Catholic population and a shrinking pipeline of new participants.

Today, 138 Parishes of 209 Have Under 600 Regular Mass Attendees



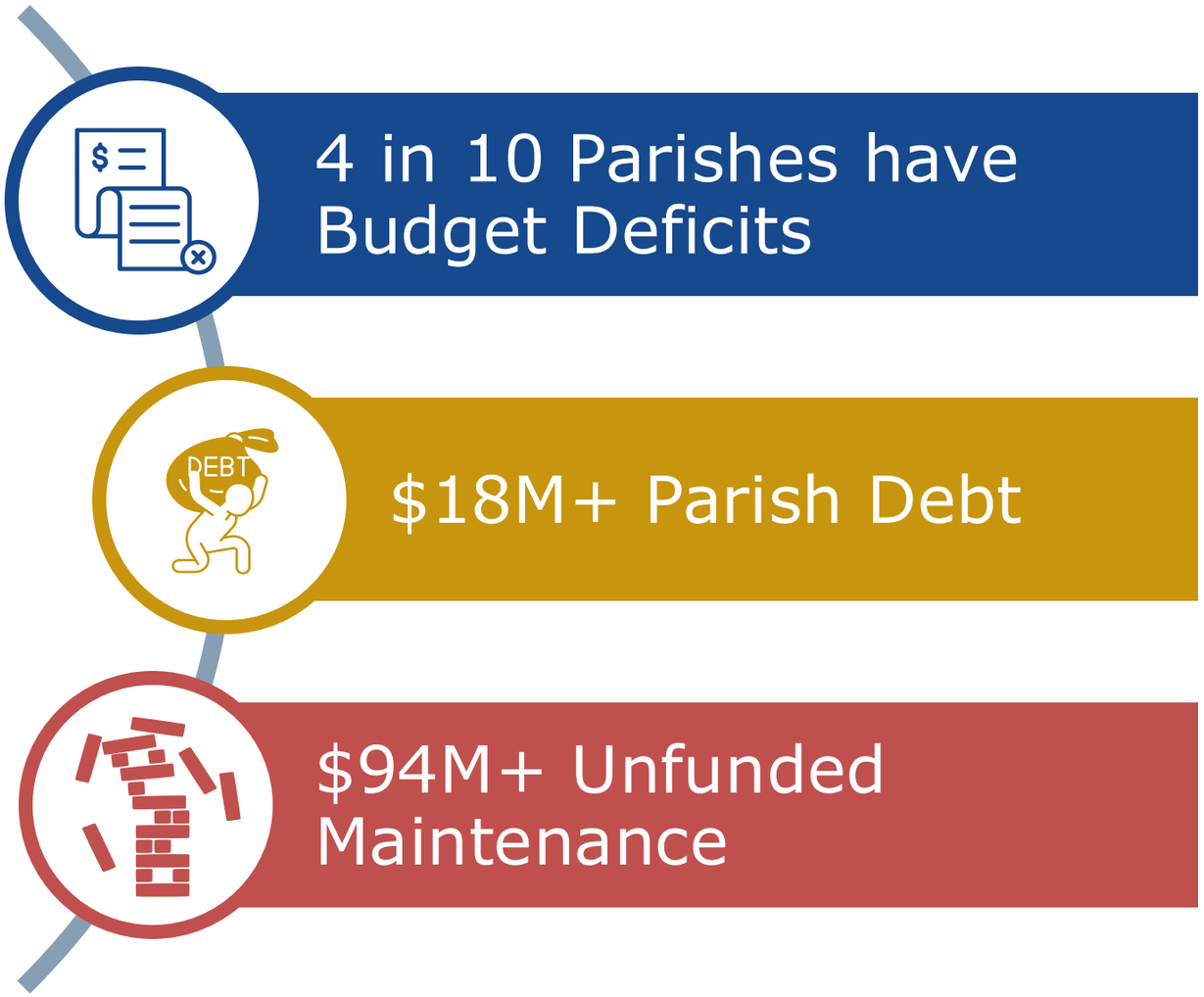
Projected Priest Supply Will Not Meet Demand





- Priests may retire from parish ministry at age 70 and must take senior status after age 80, which significantly reduces the future pool of available priests.
- The number of diocesan priests is projected to decline by roughly 25-30% over the next decade, while the diocese must continue to serve 209 parishes.
- As priests reach retirement age (70), projected supply falls below the total number of parishes, eliminating the feasibility of one priest per parish.
- The projected shortfall is equivalent to dozens of parish assignments, before accounting for parishes that require 2-3 priests.

Heavy Financial Burdens Limit Parish Freedom for Ministry and Evangelization



- With 4 in 10 parishes operating at a deficit, a growing share of parish leadership time and resources is focused on covering shortfalls rather than advancing pastoral mission.
- More than $18 million in parish debt and $94 million in unfunded maintenance are tying parish finances to buildings and past decisions instead of present evangelization and ministry.
- Financial strain increasingly directs parish energy toward sustaining facilities, limiting the capacity to invest in people, formation, and outreach central to the Church's mission.

Section Two

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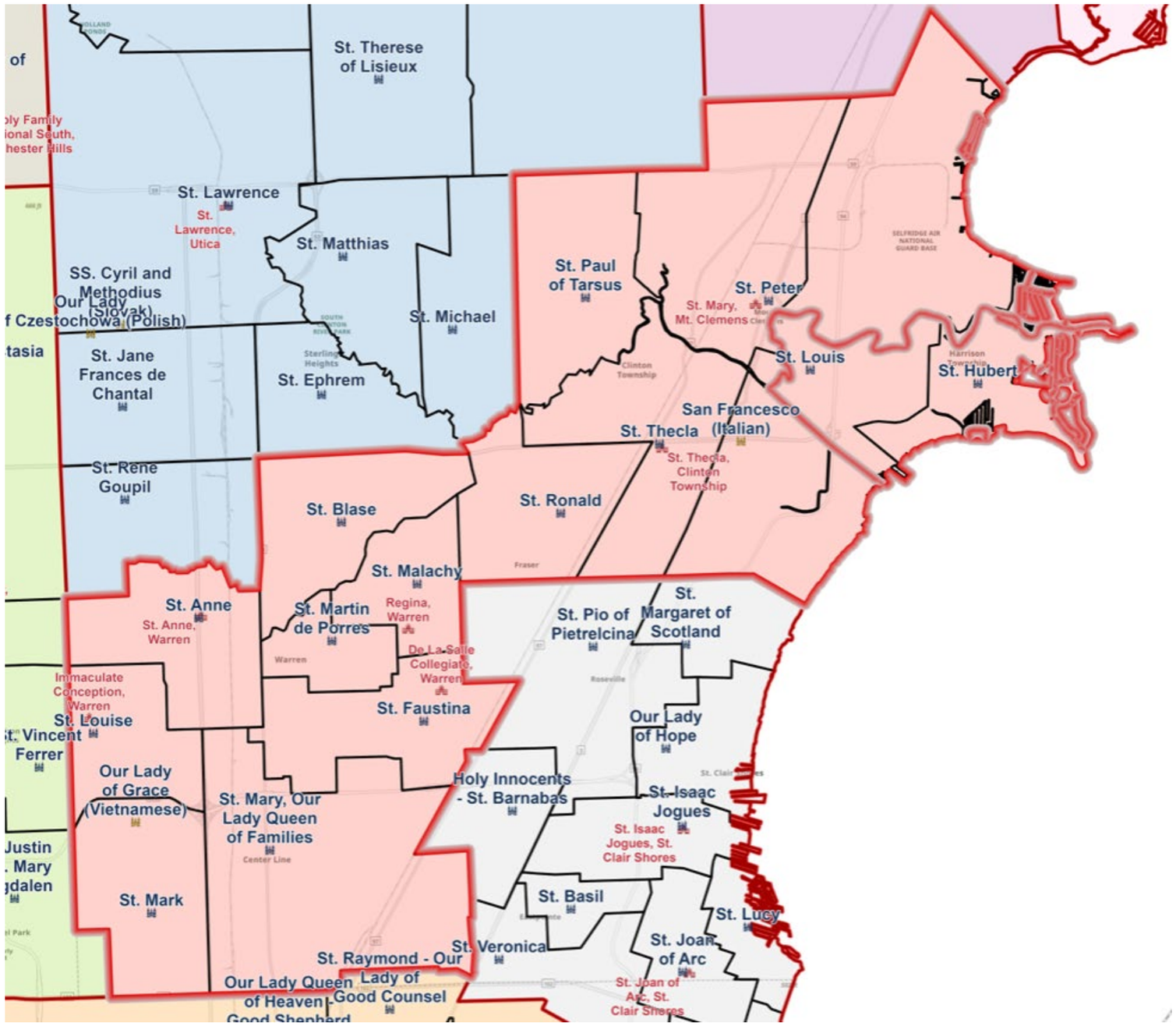

About Our Planning Area

- The planning area spans diagonally across Macomb County. Its boundaries run north–south from 21 Miled Road to Eight Mile Road and east–west from Garfield Road to Anchor Bay in the northern section and from Dequindre Road to Groesbeck Highway in the southern section.

- This planning area falls within the Northeast Region of the Archdiocese of Detroit.

- The area includes 14 territorial parishes and 2 personal parishes with a total of 16 worship sites and 3 schools. It is currently served by 13 Archdiocesan priests and 3 Religious/Extern priests.

- The planning area spans roughly 19 miles north to south, about a 25-minute drive from end to end. Parishes and church buildings are located close to one another, with many buildings only about 3 miles apart.

Demographic Trends

- Total population has increased by 3% since the 2010 census.
- Registered Catholic households have decreased 39% since 2010.
- 5.3% of total households in the area are registered Catholic, which is equivalent to the archdiocesan average of 5%.
- Median age is 41.7 years (up 1 year since 2010).
- Median household income in the area is $68,214, lower than the archdiocesan average of $72,109.
- The area's racial makeup has become more diverse, with the diversity index rising from 36 to 49 (+13 points) since 2010.

US Census Data

Parish Name	Asian/Pacific Islander	Black/African American	Hispanic /Latino	Native American	Other Race	Two or More Races	White
St. Anne Parish	8.8%	9.7%	1.0%	0.5%	0.0%	3.8%	77.1%
St. Blase Parish	7.8%	9.2%	2.6%	0.0%	0.7%	3.8%	78.5%
St. Faustina Parish	7.8%	20.9%	2.2%	0.4%	0.4%	4.5%	66.1%
St. Hubert Parish	1.3%	3.5%	1.8%	0.4%	0.1%	8.8%	85.9%
St. Louis Parish	0.9%	20.2%	3.6%	0.1%	1.2%	6.9%	70.8%
St. Louise de Marillac Parish	22.3%	15.9%	2.6%	0.0%	1.6%	2.9%	57.4%
St. Malachy Parish	6.6%	11.0%	4.3%	0.0%	0.5%	5.6%	76.2%
St. Mark Parish	22.3%	19.5%	2.5%	0.5%	1.4%	5.6%	50.7%
St. Martin de Porres Parish	9.2%	7.0%	1.6%	0.0%	0.0%	4.4%	79.3%
St. Mary, Our Lady Queen of Families Parish	7.0%	33.3%	2.7%	0.5%	1.0%	6.1%	52.1%
St. Paul of Tarsus Parish	3.9%	8.7%	1.0%	0.3%	0.5%	2.8%	83.8%
St. Peter Parish	2.7%	17.0%	6.7%	0.6%	1.0%	9.7%	69.1%
St. Ronald Parish	1.5%	13.2%	3.7%	0.5%	0.2%	6.5%	78.2%
St. Thecla Parish	4.1%	15.8%	3.1%	0.1%	0.4%	5.5%	74.1%

Source: ACS 2023 (5 Year Average)

US Census Data

Parish Name	Under Age 5	Age 5-19	Age 20-24	Age 25-34	Age 35-54	Age 55-64	Age 65+
St. Anne Parish	6.5%	17.7%	5.3%	17.6%	25.0%	11.9%	16.0%
St. Blase Parish	8.3%	16.5%	7.3%	10.3%	27.5%	13.8%	16.3%
St. Faustina Parish	6.5%	16.3%	5.2%	14.9%	25.8%	12.9%	18.4%
St. Hubert Parish	2.7%	13.0%	5.3%	13.3%	23.1%	20.6%	22.1%
St. Louis Parish	4.4%	15.6%	6.3%	15.9%	23.4%	17.1%	17.4%
St. Louise de Marillac Parish	4.1%	16.4%	5.8%	14.9%	23.2%	16.8%	18.9%
St. Malachy Parish	5.4%	15.6%	5.2%	14.4%	24.1%	15.7%	19.5%
St. Mark Parish	7.2%	17.8%	5.7%	16.3%	25.5%	13.2%	14.3%
St. Martin de Porres Parish	4.5%	16.9%	4.0%	14.1%	26.7%	15.7%	18.1%
St. Mary, Our Lady Queen of Families Parish	6.8%	20.2%	6.0%	17.5%	25.1%	12.2%	12.1%
St. Paul of Tarsus Parish	4.2%	15.0%	5.8%	10.6%	24.8%	15.4%	24.3%
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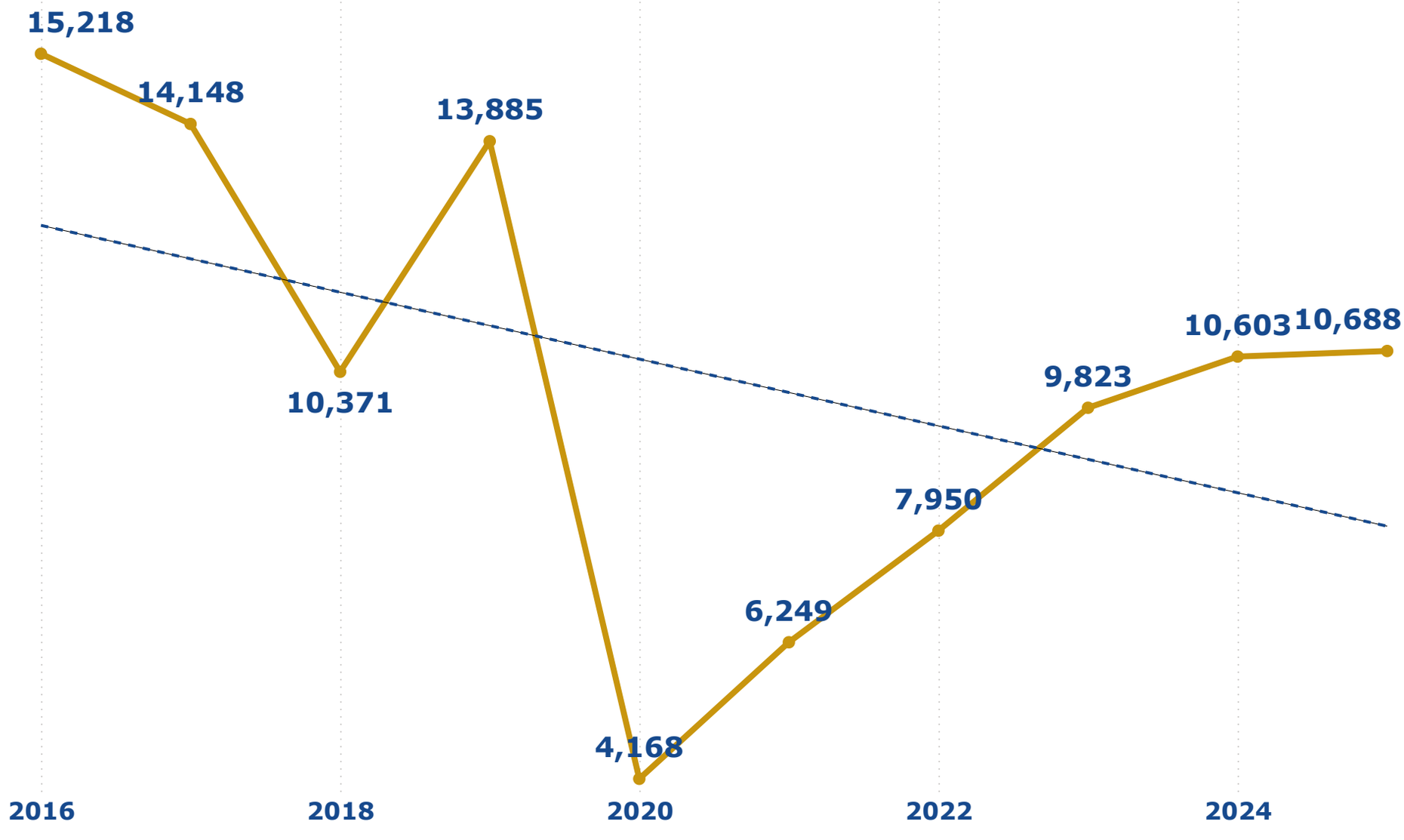
St. Ronald Parish	4.3%	15.0%	6.7%	13.2%	21.6%	13.3%	25.9%
St. Thecla Parish	5.3%	17.1%	6.5%	14.7%	23.9%	13.9%	18.7%

Source: ACS 2023 (5 Year Average)

Planning Area Mass Count Trend



Mass Count and Capacity (2024)

Parish Name	Worship Sites	Mass Count	Weekend Masses	Seating Capacity	Seating Capacity per Mass*
St. Peter Parish	1	1,592	4	1,000	40%
St. Malachy Parish	1	1,565	4	800	49%
St. Paul of Tarsus Parish	1	1,426	3	1,000	48%
St. Hubert Parish	1	685	3	550	42%
St. Thecla Parish	1	668	4	800	21%
St. Blase Parish	1	626	3	900	23%
St. Anne Parish	1	506	3	1,200	14%
St. Mary, Our Lady Queen of Families Parish	1	493	3	1,400	12%
St. Faustina Parish	1	458	3	1,200	13%
Our Lady of Grace (Vietnamese) Parish	1	450	3	400	38%
St. Martin de Porres Parish	1	423	3	900	16%
St. Louis Parish	1	388	3	500	26%
San Francesco (Italian) Parish	1	386	4	350	28%
St. Ronald Parish	1	358	3	550	22%
St. Mark Parish	1	338	3	450	25%
St. Louise de Marillac Parish	1	241	2	736	16%

*(Seating Capacity × Weekend Masses) ÷ Total Mass Count

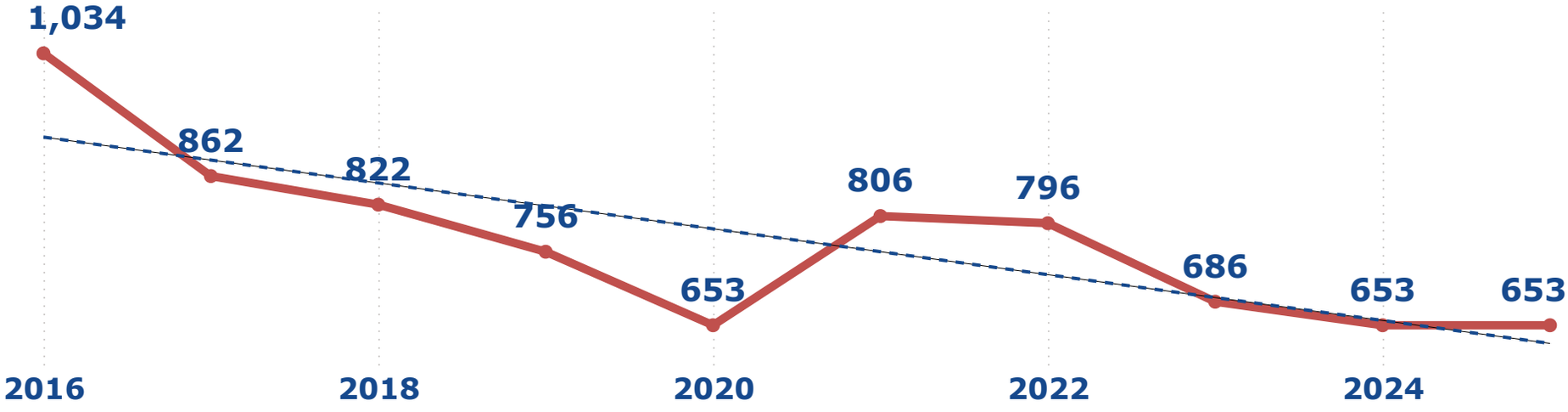
Where Parishioners Live

Parish Name	Within Parish Boundary	Within Parish (%)	Within Region Boundary	Within Region (%)	Outside Region Boundary	Outside Region (%)
Our Lady of Grace (Vietnamese) Parish			384	74%	137	26%
San Francesco (Italian) Parish			204	94%	12	6%
St. Anne Parish	223	24%	592	63%	119	13%
St. Blase Parish	541	47%	567	49%	46	4%
St. Faustina Parish	324	65%	163	33%	9	2%
St. Hubert Parish	551	42%	742	57%	12	1%
St. Louis Parish	331	45%	379	52%	19	3%
St. Louise de Marillac Parish	195	59%	90	27%	48	14%
St. Malachy Parish	688	42%	932	56%	37	2%
St. Mark Parish	236	64%	94	25%	40	11%
St. Martin de Porres Parish	222	37%	373	62%	11	2%
St. Mary, Our Lady Queen of Families Parish	357	58%	227	37%	28	5%
St. Paul of Tarsus Parish	950	38%	1,503	60%	54	2%
St. Peter Parish	489	14%	2,825	83%	100	3%
St. Ronald Parish	431	54%	327	41%	34	4%
St. Thecla Parish	375	39%	571	59%	20	2%

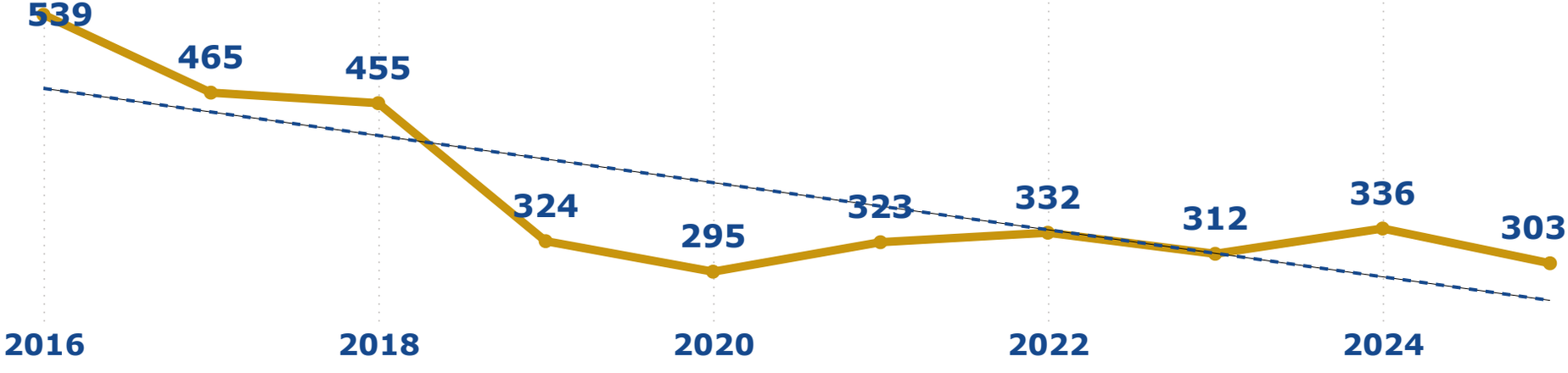
Region references the four administrative areas of the AOD-Central, South, Northwest, Northeast

Planning Area Baptisms and Funerals

Funerals



Baptisms



Sacramental Activity (2024)

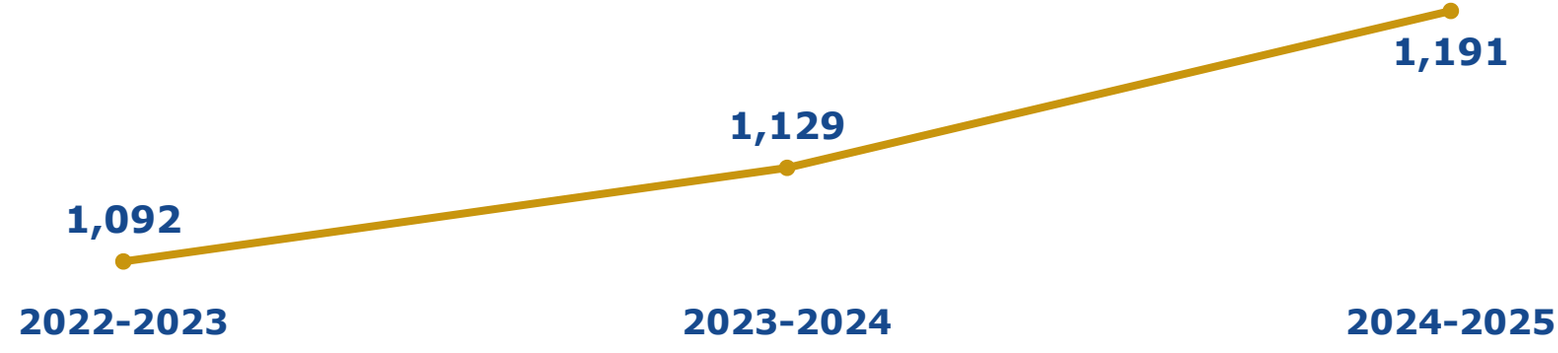
Parish Name	Funerals	Baptisms	Marriages	Confirmations	First Communions	OCIA*
St. Peter Parish	93	87	28	78	73	12
St. Malachy Parish	45	45	10	21	28	4
Our Lady of Grace (Vietnamese) Parish	13	35	3	12	14	8
St. Paul of Tarsus Parish	54	31	5	41	25	0
St. Hubert Parish	45	23	8	10	15	7
St. Anne Parish	20	19	3	21	28	0
St. Thecla Parish	39	19	7	33	39	7
St. Mary, Our Lady Queen of Families Parish	55	17	3	12	7	3
St. Louis Parish	22	16	1	10	21	2
St. Blase Parish	85	10	3	6	11	0
St. Ronald Parish	26	10	3	10	15	4
San Francesco (Italian) Parish	30	9	4	1	3	2
St. Faustina Parish	39	6	4	11	12	6
St. Martin de Porres Parish	46	6	2	6	8	6
St. Louise de Marillac Parish	15	2	0	0	0	0
St. Mark Parish	26	1	0	6	4	0

*OCIA includes adult baptisms, communions, and confirmations.

Planning Area School Enrollment

Parish and School	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
St. Anne Parish			
St. Anne Catholic Grade School	355	341	348
St. Peter Parish			
St. Mary's School - Mt. Clemens	470	506	543
St. Thecla Parish			
St. Thecla School	267	282	300

School Enrollment Trend



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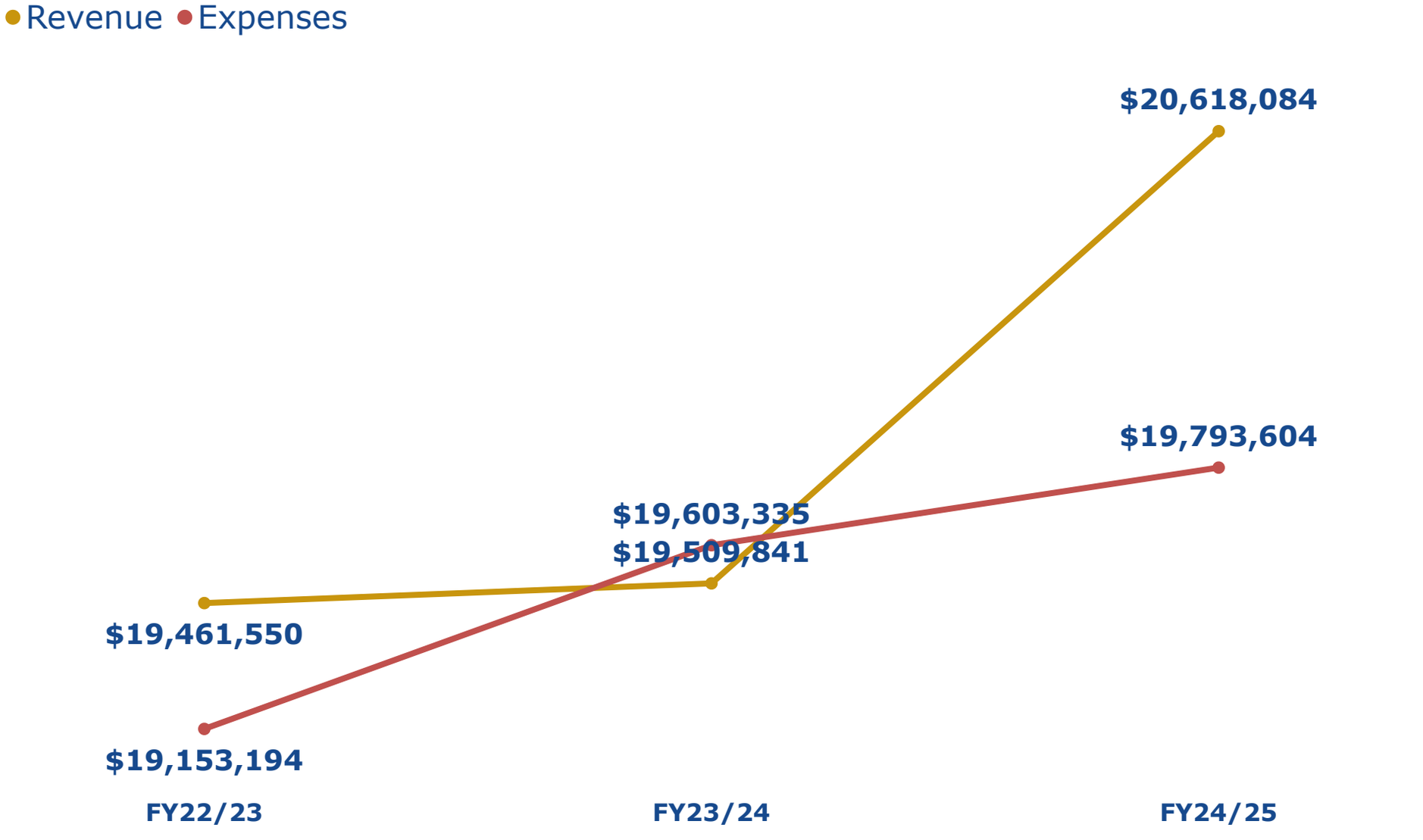
Financial information as reported by Intacct on June 30th of the last three fiscal years (2022/23, 2023/24, 2024/25). If a data point is zero (0), then the parish experiences zero or did not submit information.

Collections: Funds received as weekly offerings (envelopes, online, loose), Christmas, Holy Days and other marked offerings given.
Other Revenue: All other Operating and Non-Operating funds received, such as donations, event fees, and interest.
Salary & Benefits Expense: Costs related to employee compensation, including wages, payroll taxes, pension, health insurance, and other benefits.
Contractor Expense: Costs related to contractors providing a service to the parish/school, such as Administrative Services and Janitorial.
Facilities Expense: Costs related to building expenses, utilities, and telecommunications.
Other Expense: All other operating expenses not included in the previous categories.
Capital Expense: Costs related to major repairs, renovations and other major building related purchases.
Net Income: Total Revenue minus Total Expenses (includes both Operating and Non-Operating).
Parish Subsidy: Calculated based on the net loss for the school operating unit (Elementary and/or High School).
Parish Tuition Scholarships: Funds donated to an external Catholic school for the purpose of student scholarships.
Cash: The reconciled checking account balance.
Unrestricted Savings: The sum of the unrestricted Detroit Catholic Parishes & Schools Trust account balances.
Endowments: Long-Term investments for the purpose of generating interest income to support operations over time. The endowments are limited to a 5.25% annual distribution.
Donor Restricted Trust: The sum of the restricted Detroit Catholic Parishes & Schools Trust account balances.
Bills Due: Amounts owed to vendors for goods and services received/ordered by not yet paid for.
Payable Loans: Amounts owed to lenders or financial institutions (Archdiocese of Detroit) that must be repaid over time, often with interest.
Other Liabilities: Other amounts owed by the parish/school, including any tuition collected prior to the start of the school year.

Planning Area Financial Trend



Revenue Summary (FY 24/25)

Parish Name	Collections	Rental Income	Fundraising	Tuition & Fees	Other	Total Revenue
Our Lady of Grace (Vietnamese) Parish		$0	$0	$0		$0
San Francesco (Italian) Parish	$234,298	$9,600	$34,782	$785	$119,677	$399,142
St. Anne Parish	$487,571	$0	$164,783	$1,552,114	$270,520	$2,474,988
St. Blase Parish	$708,260	$0	$79,609	$11,326	$98,747	$897,942
St. Faustina Parish	$346,088	$250	$4,600	$3,220	$182,334	$536,492
St. Hubert Parish	$885,025	$0	$275,900	$7,185	$34,163	$1,202,273
St. Louis Parish	$432,000	$2,529	$65,284	$3,780	$111,414	$615,008
St. Louise de Marillac Parish	$343,845	$0	$26,932	$0	$26,922	$397,700
St. Malachy Parish	$932,881	$0	$228,645	$7,895	$309,301	$1,478,723
St. Mark Parish	$236,461	$0	$15,036	$0	$143,789	$395,286
St. Martin de Porres Parish	$589,857	$0	$31,464	$4,090	$49,221	$674,632
St. Mary, Our Lady Queen of Families Parish	$515,270	$1,900	$61,519	$2,785	$175,193	$756,667
St. Paul of Tarsus Parish	$1,162,176	$0	$44,960	$16,175	$152,518	$1,375,829
St. Peter Parish	$1,787,124	$19,804	$209,742	$2,791,542	$931,829	$5,740,042
St. Ronald Parish	$326,634	$7,200	$12,374	$7,426	$4,686	$358,320
St. Thecla Parish	$666,077	$0	$159,767	$1,644,957	$844,238	$3,315,040

Expense Summary (FY 24/25)

Parish Name	Salary & Benefits	Contractors	Facilities	Other	Capital Expenditures	Total Expenses
Our Lady of Grace (Vietnamese) Parish	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
San Francesco (Italian) Parish	$103,742	$43,080	$133,650	$108,362	$18,291	$407,126
St. Anne Parish	$1,508,204	$82,193	$437,761	$271,476	$499,709	$2,799,344
St. Blase Parish	$541,155	$62,945	$188,100	$162,383	$104,902	$1,059,484
St. Faustina Parish	$212,493	$32,390	$102,092	$75,067	$188,916	$610,958
St. Hubert Parish	$407,489	$116,676	$180,099	$288,259	$182,315	$1,174,837
St. Louis Parish	$311,562	$21,713	$149,571	$71,591	$11,546	$565,983
St. Louise de Marillac Parish	$138,570	$47,065	$112,408	$55,953	$43,427	$397,423
St. Malachy Parish	$681,311	$22,153	$176,956	$242,644	$270,003	$1,393,068
St. Mark Parish	$166,375	$47,193	$74,207	$49,744	$0	$337,519
St. Martin de Porres Parish	$409,137	$35,209	$205,674	$81,439	$64,767	$796,226
St. Mary, Our Lady Queen of Families Parish	$417,674	$10,461	$157,566	$101,865	$59,401	$746,966
St. Paul of Tarsus Parish	$573,807	$108,146	$187,472	$208,018	$3,586	$1,081,029
St. Peter Parish	$3,537,159	$307,567	$665,519	$673,239	$128,092	$5,311,576
St. Ronald Parish	$233,067	$25,027	$47,135	$54,226	$2,383	$361,839
St. Thecla Parish	$1,586,539	$153,132	$513,807	$424,767	$71,982	$2,750,228

Revenue and Expenses Trend

Fiscal Year	FY22/23			FY23/24			FY24/25		
Parish Name	Revenue	Expenses	Net Surplus (Deficit)	Revenue	Expenses	Net Surplus (Deficit)	Revenue	Expenses	Net Surplus (Deficit)
Our Lady of Grace (Vietnamese) Parish	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
San Francesco (Italian) Parish	$836,569	$360,172	$476,397	$602,139	$382,831	$219,308	$399,142	$407,126	($7,984)
St. Anne Parish	$2,370,359	$2,195,969	$174,390	$2,640,272	$2,286,967	$353,305	$2,474,988	$2,799,344	($324,356)
St. Blase Parish	$1,035,408	$1,020,271	$15,137	$897,380	$933,348	($35,968)	$897,942	$1,059,484	($161,542)
St. Faustina Parish	$431,877	$429,527	$2,350	$410,621	$420,982	($10,361)	$536,492	$610,958	($74,466)
St. Hubert Parish	$1,285,955	$1,161,044	$124,910	$1,164,353	$1,402,373	($238,020)	$1,202,273	$1,174,837	$27,435
St. Louis Parish	$543,023	$723,468	($180,445)	$654,560	$650,525	$4,035	$615,008	$565,983	$49,026
St. Louise de Marillac Parish	$431,398	$449,247	($17,849)	$424,329	$428,440	($4,110)	$397,700	$397,423	$277
St. Malachy Parish	$1,193,671	$1,168,702	$24,969	$1,187,190	$1,177,428	$9,761	$1,478,723	$1,393,068	$85,655
St. Mark Parish	$382,494	$326,060	$56,434	$383,395	$344,089	$39,306	$395,286	$337,519	$57,767
St. Martin de Porres Parish	$802,436	$781,385	$21,051	$679,433	$858,965	($179,533)	$674,632	$796,226	($121,593)
St. Mary, Our Lady Queen of Families Parish	$678,265	$835,106	($156,841)	$733,672	$738,692	($5,020)	$756,667	$746,966	$9,701
St. Paul of Tarsus Parish	$1,486,919	$1,069,944	$416,976	$1,276,291	$1,133,445	$142,846	$1,375,829	$1,081,029	$294,800
St. Peter Parish	$5,242,395	$5,946,457	($704,062)	$5,380,092	$5,823,261	($443,170)	$5,740,042	$5,311,576	$428,466
St. Ronald Parish	$399,212	$395,012	$4,200	$397,333	$408,891	($11,558)	$358,320	$361,839	($3,519)
St. Thecla Parish	$2,341,569	$2,290,830	$50,740	$2,678,781	$2,613,097	$65,684	$3,315,040	$2,750,228	$564,812

Asset & Liability Summary (FY 24/25)

Parish Name	Unrestricted Cash/Savings	Restricted Savings	Bills Due	Payable Loans	Net Equity
Our Lady of Grace (Vietnamese) Parish	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
San Francesco (Italian) Parish	$2,420,617	$0	$95	$0	$2,418,042
St. Anne Parish	$2,230,161	$0	$267	$0	$1,946,464
St. Blase Parish	$2,358,351	$0	$23,923	$0	$2,331,955
St. Faustina Parish	$1,134,957	$0	$4,001	$0	$1,072,610
St. Hubert Parish	$439,260	$0	$4,494	$0	$434,806
St. Louis Parish	$1,220,590	$0	$393	$0	$1,232,298
St. Louise de Marillac Parish	$117,453	$0	$1,174	$0	$115,927
St. Malachy Parish	$240,658	$0	$0	$0	$246,534
St. Mark Parish	$543,981	$3,347	$681	$0	$948,365
St. Martin de Porres Parish	$112,063	$0	$0	$0	$108,694
St. Mary, Our Lady Queen of Families Parish	$869,623	$0	$22,003	$0	$800,111
St. Paul of Tarsus Parish	$1,320,362	$41,759	$0	$0	$1,360,476
St. Peter Parish	$3,786,066	$507,831	$18,831	$0	$2,918,798
St. Ronald Parish	$338,408	$0	$25,614	$0	$306,909
St. Thecla Parish	$1,701,448	$581,973	($660)	$0	$1,562,240

Section Three

St. Malachy Parish

Sterling Heights

Parish History

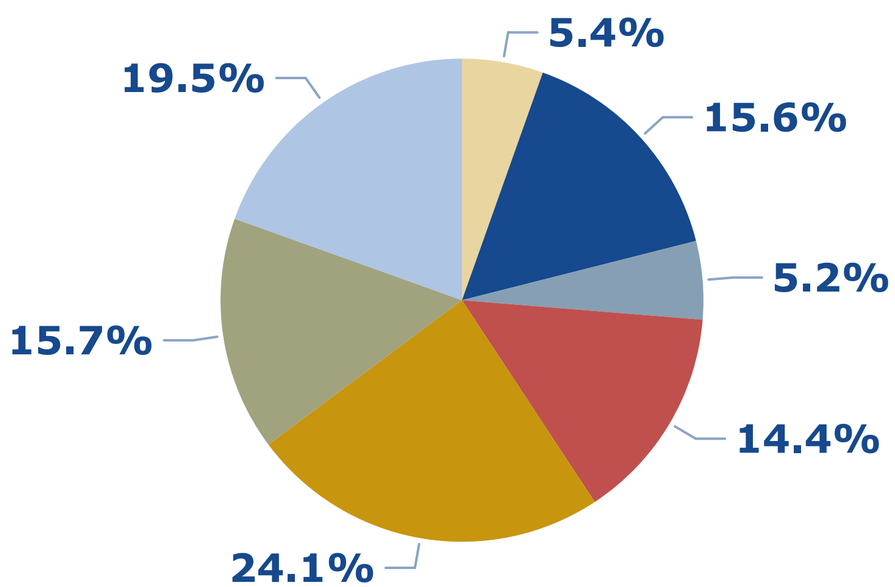
St. Malachy Parish in Sterling Heights was founded in 1964. Within months, a temporary church was dedicated, and the parish quickly grew. This growth prompted the formation of the area's first Parish Council to broaden leadership and responsibility. In response to space limitations, the community voted to build a new church, breaking ground in 1977 and dedicating the current building in 1978. A major expansion in 2007 added a Gathering Space to foster community interaction before and after Masses.

St. Malachy Parish’s mission is to warmly welcome all and invite them into a personal encounter with Christ. This is lived out through vibrant worship services featuring multiple choirs, Holy Hours, and a robust online presence offering classes and talks. The parish fosters spiritual growth through programs like Family Faith Sharing, youth groups, and Children’s Liturgy. Outreach efforts include Christian Service Projects such as MCREST and blood drives, reflecting the parish’s heart for service. Signature events like the SummerFest, and active Men’s and Women’s Clubs further build community. Known for its evangelization, liturgies, Marian shrine, and parish festival, St. Malachy continues to be a beacon of love, mercy, and faith.

US Census Data (Parish Boundary)

Age

- Under 5
- 5-19
- 20-24
- 25-34
- 35-54
- 55-64
- 65+



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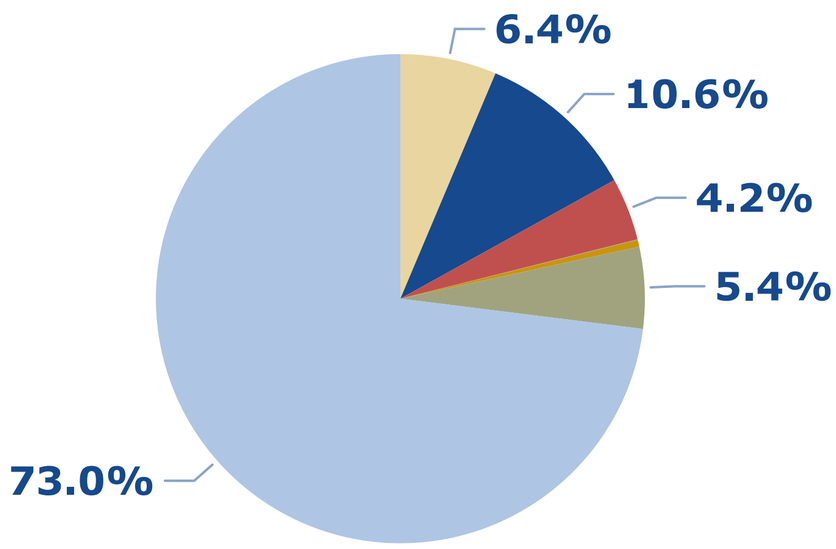
Median Age

Race/Ethnicity

- Asian/Pacific Islander
- Black/African American
- Hispanic/Latino
- Native American
- Other Race
- Two or More Races
- White

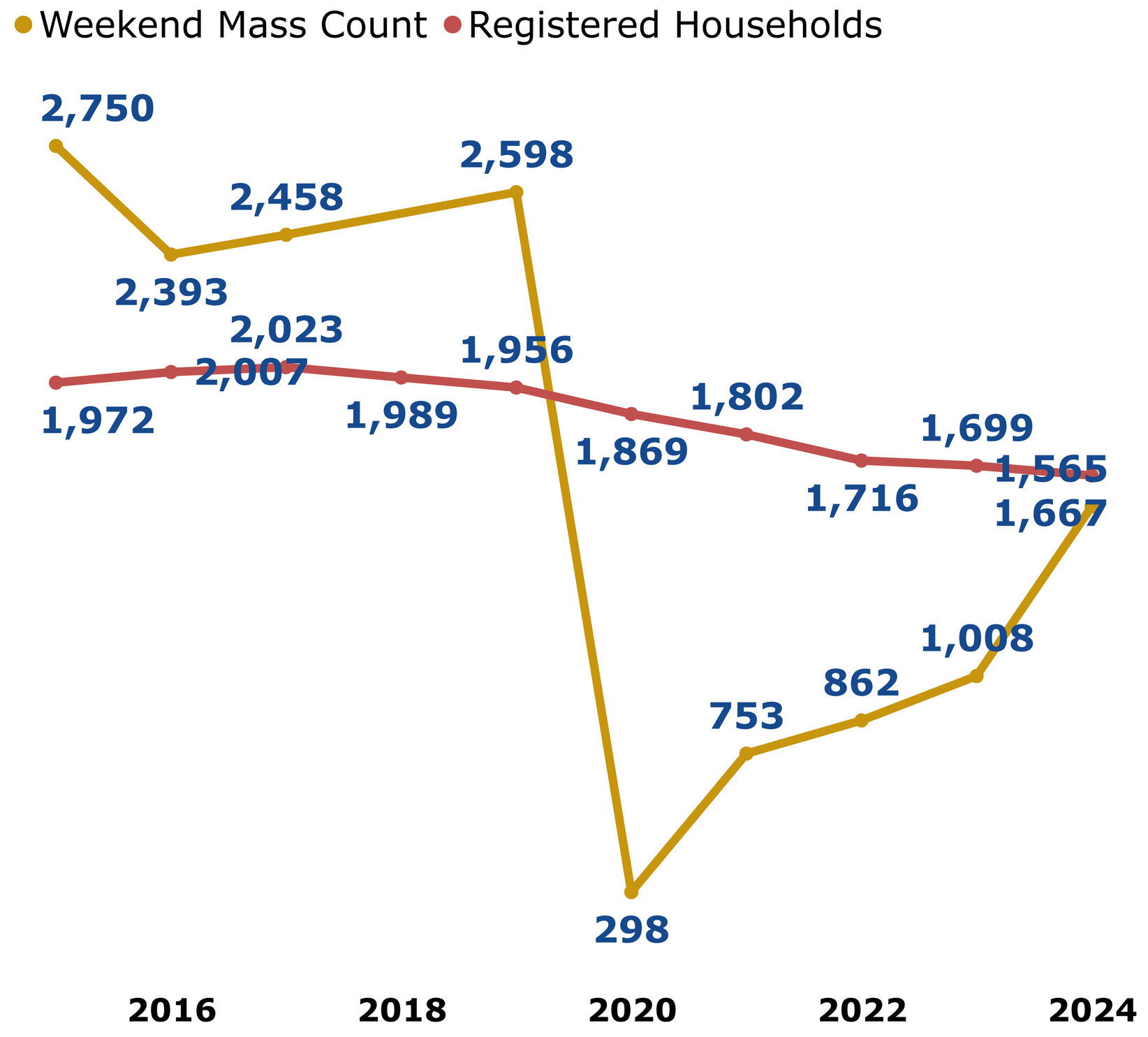


16,303

Total Population

Source: ACS 2023 (5 Year Average)

Worshipping Households



Number of worship sites

1

Number of weekend masses

4

Seating capacity

800

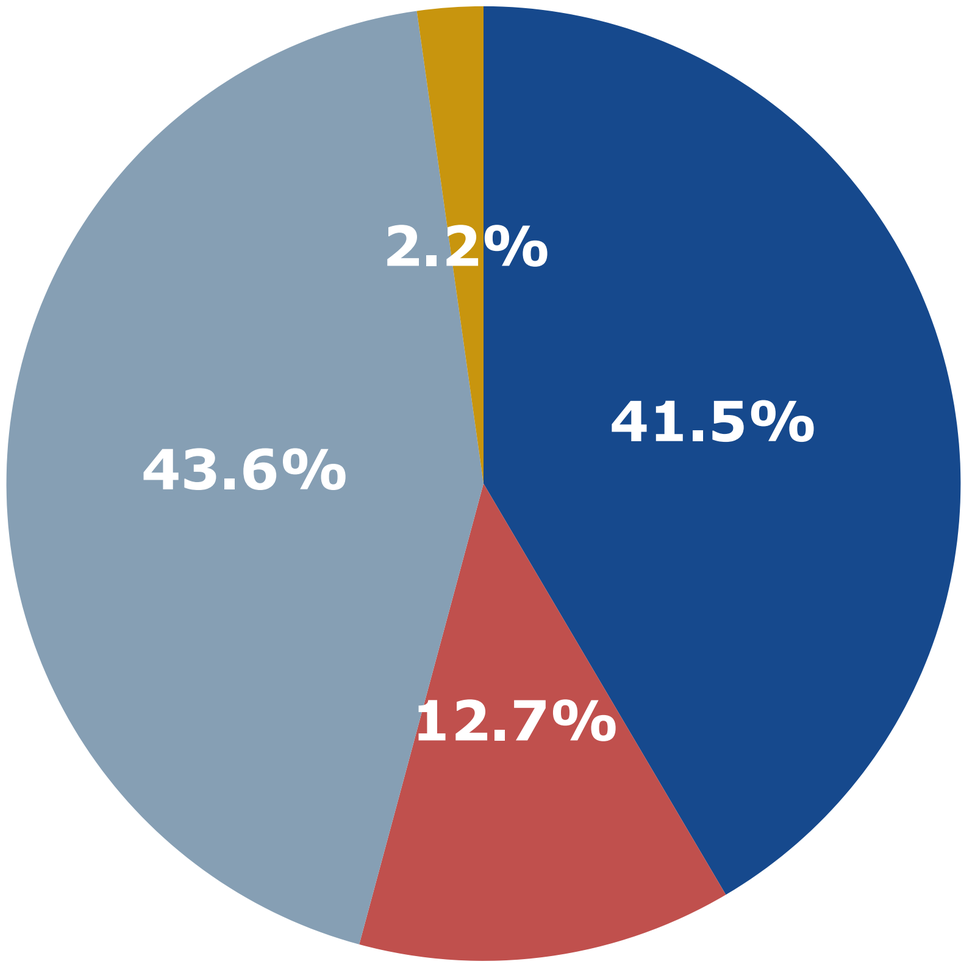
Mass attendance as a percent of capacity

49%

Source: ParishSoft and Parish Reported to AOD

Where Parishioners Live

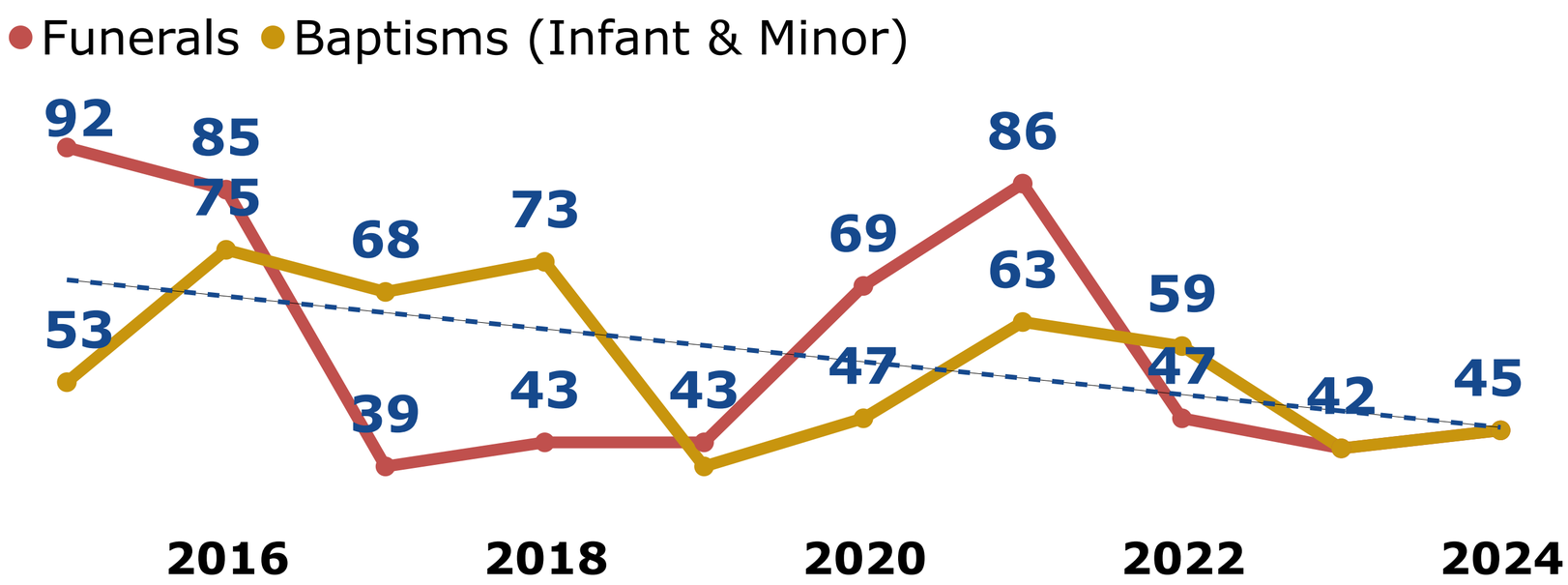
- Within Parish Boundary
- Within Family Boundary
- Within Region Boundary
- Outside Region Boundary



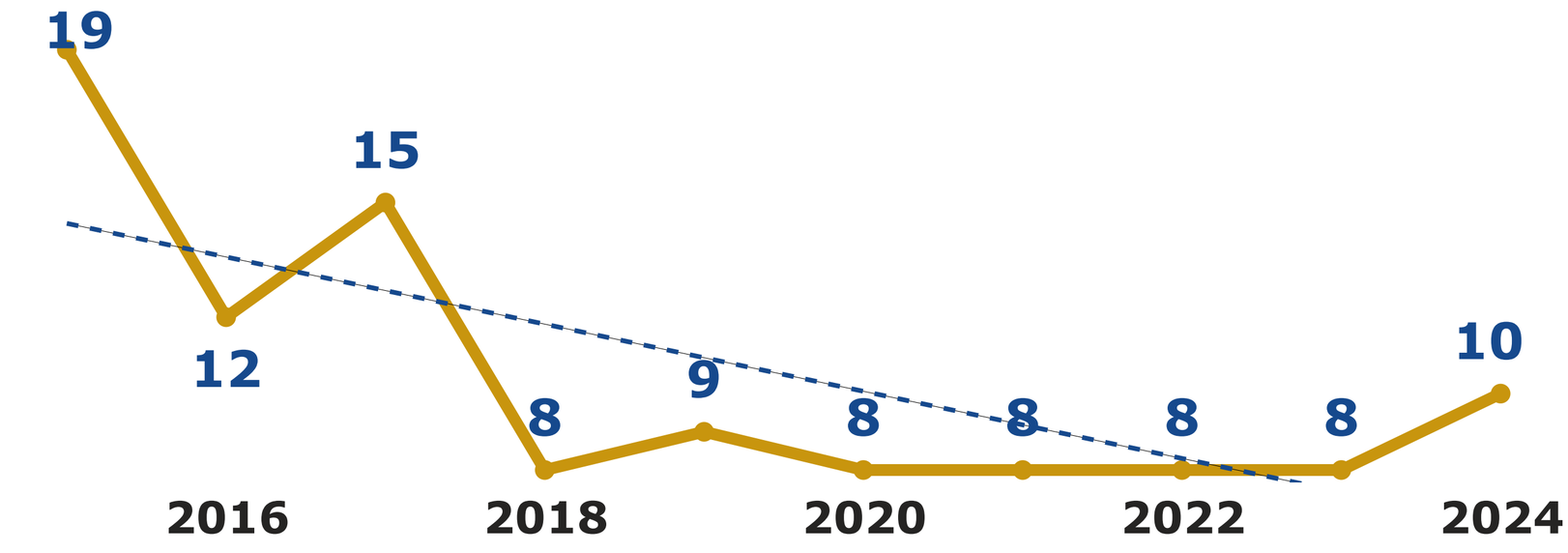
Source: ParishSoft

Sacraments of Life Trend

Funerals and Baptisms



Marriage Trend



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Source: Parish Reported to Official Catholic Directory

Percent Change 2015-2024

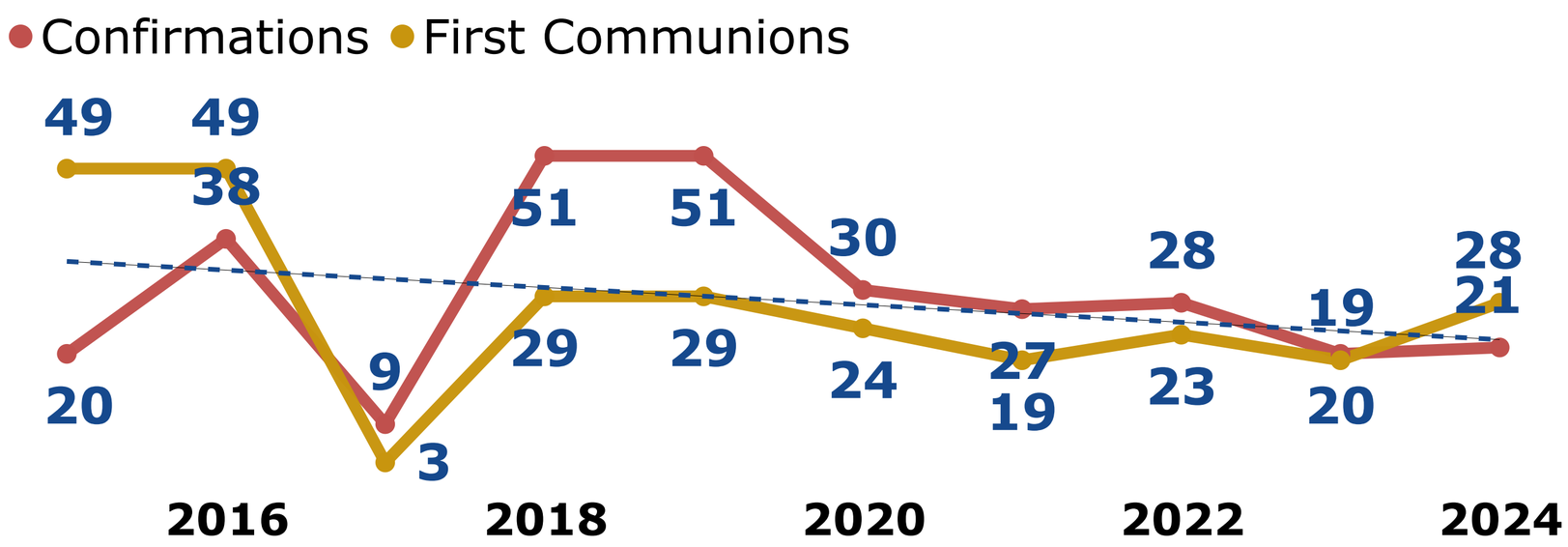
Funerals
-51.1%

Infant & Minor Baptisms
-15.1%

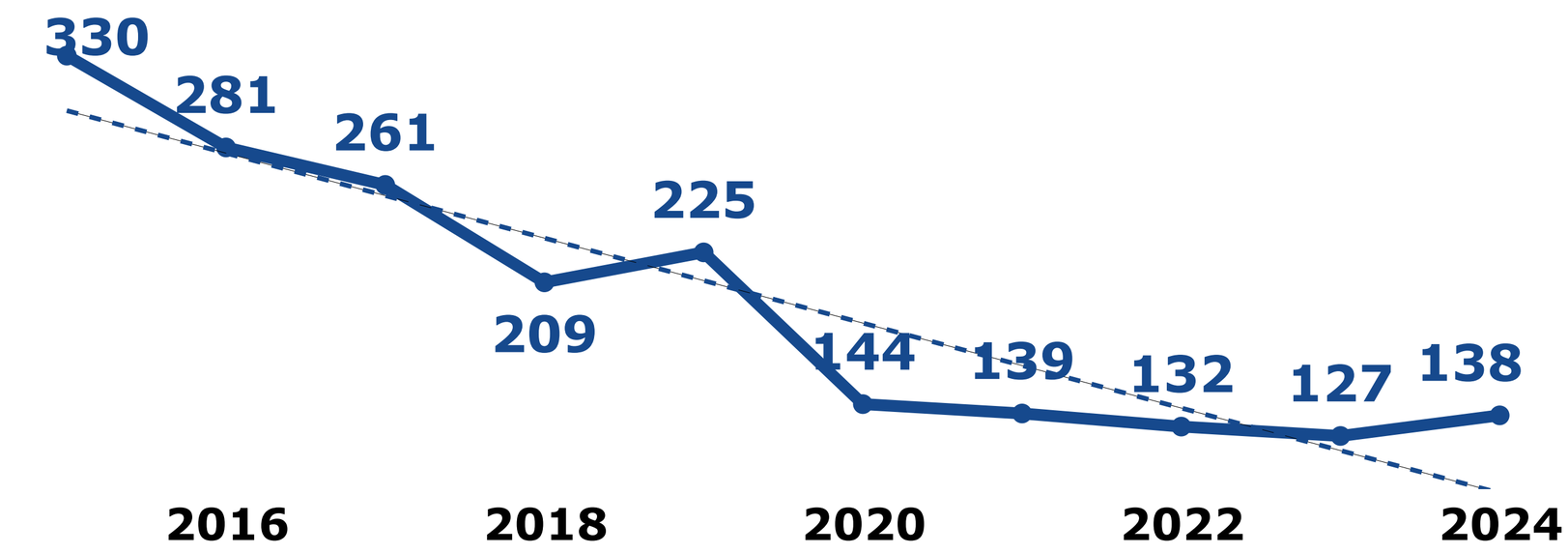
Marriages
-47.4%

Youth Evangelization

Sacramental Trend



Religious Education Enrollment



*Parishes with a school may have included school religious education in the total enrollment number

Percent Change 2015-2024

Confirmations
5.0%

First Communions
-42.9%

Religious Education
-58.2%

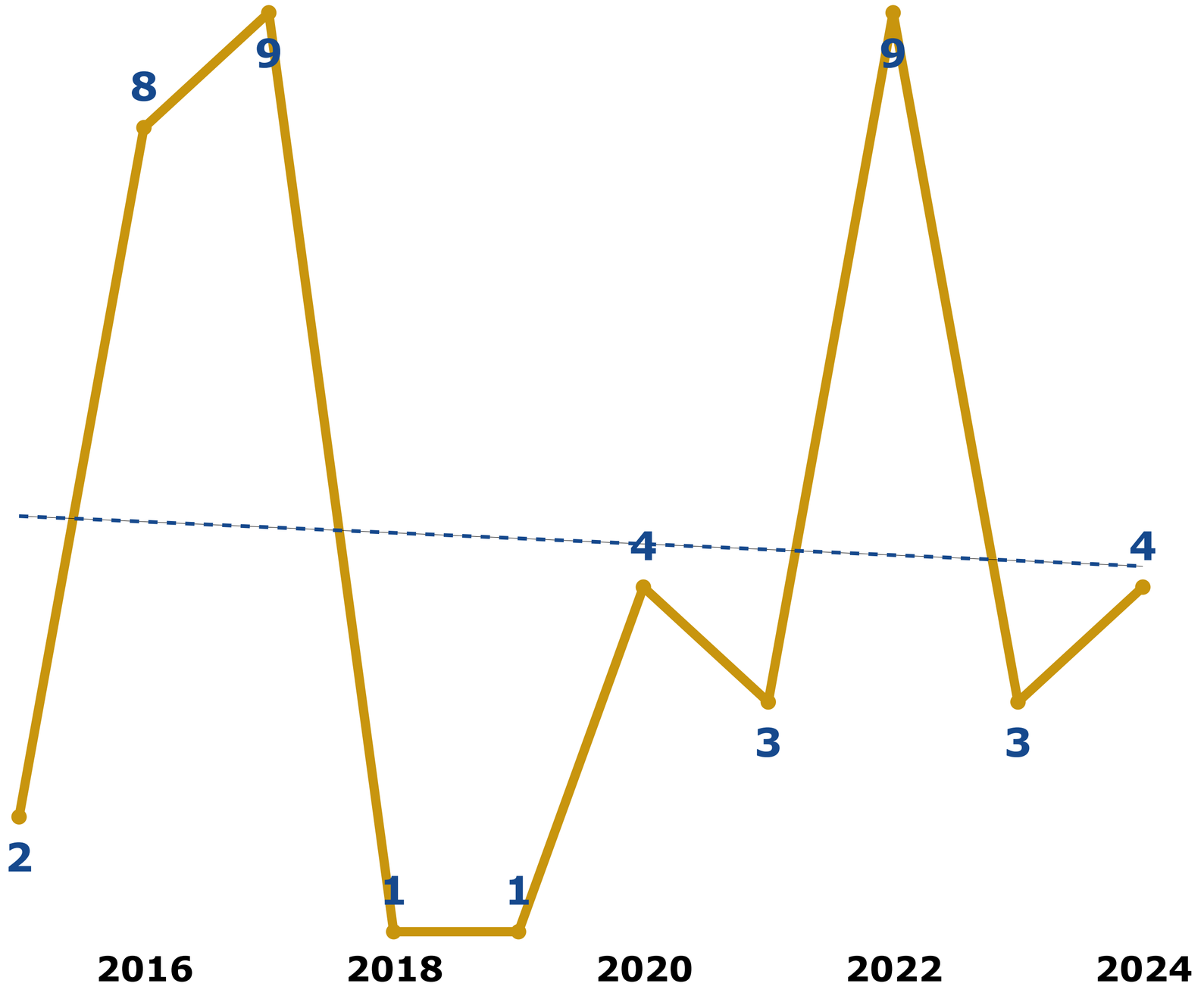
Note: Sacraments may have been registered in another parish hosting a FOP combined event

Source: Parish Reported to Official Catholic Directory

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Sacramental Trend

Total Full Communions, Catechumens, Adult Baptisms



Percent Change 2015-2024

Adult Sacraments

100.0%

Note: Sacraments may have been registered in another parish hosting a FOP combined event

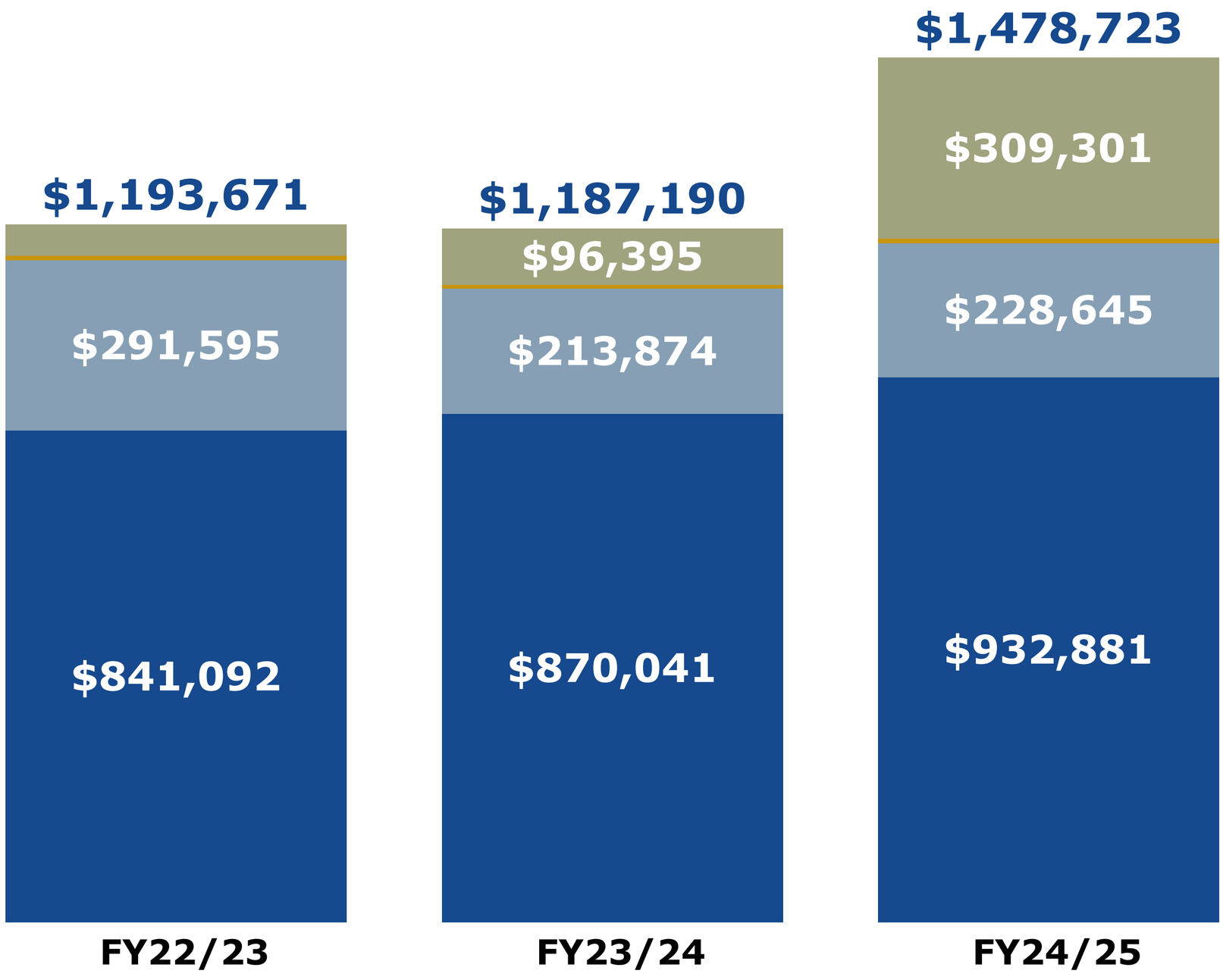
Source: Parish Reported to Official Catholic Directory

Definitions of data fields appearing on the following pages are provided below.
Financial information as reported by Intacct on June 30th of the last three fiscal years (2022/23, 2023/24, 2024/25). If a data point is zero (0), then the parish experiences zero or did not submit information.

Collections: Funds received as weekly offerings (envelopes, online, loose), Christmas, Holy Days and other marked offerings given.
Other Revenue: All other Operating and Non-Operating funds received, such as donations, event fees, and interest.
Salary & Benefits Expense: Costs related to employee compensation, including wages, payroll taxes, pension, health insurance, and other benefits.
Contractor Expense: Costs related to contractors providing a service to the parish/school, such as Administrative Services and Janitorial.
Facilities Expense: Costs related to building expenses, utilities, and telecommunications.
Other Expense: All other operating expenses not included in the previous categories.
Capital Expense: Costs related to major repairs, renovations and other major building related purchases.
Net Income: Total Revenue minus Total Expenses (includes both Operating and Non-Operating).
Parish Subsidy: Calculated based on the net loss for the school operating unit (Elementary and/or High School).
Parish Tuition Scholarships: Funds donated to an external Catholic school for the purpose of student scholarships.
Cash: The reconciled checking account balance.
Unrestricted Savings: The sum of the unrestricted Detroit Catholic Parishes & Schools Trust account balances.
Endowments: Long-Term investments for the purpose of generating interest income to support operations over time. The endowments are limited to a 5.25% annual distribution.
Donor Restricted Trust: The sum of the restricted Detroit Catholic Parishes & Schools Trust account balances.
Bills Due: Amounts owed to vendors for goods and services received/ordered by not yet paid for.
Payable Loans: Amounts owed to lenders or financial institutions (Archdiocese of Detroit) that must be repaid over time, often with interest.
Other Liabilities: Other amounts owed by the parish/school, including any tuition collected prior to the start of the school year.

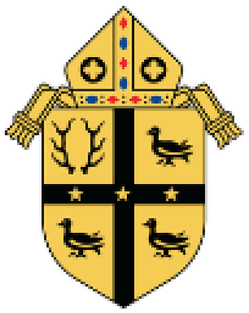
Revenue | 3 Year Trend

● Collections ● Rental ● Fundraising ● Tuition & Fees ● Other

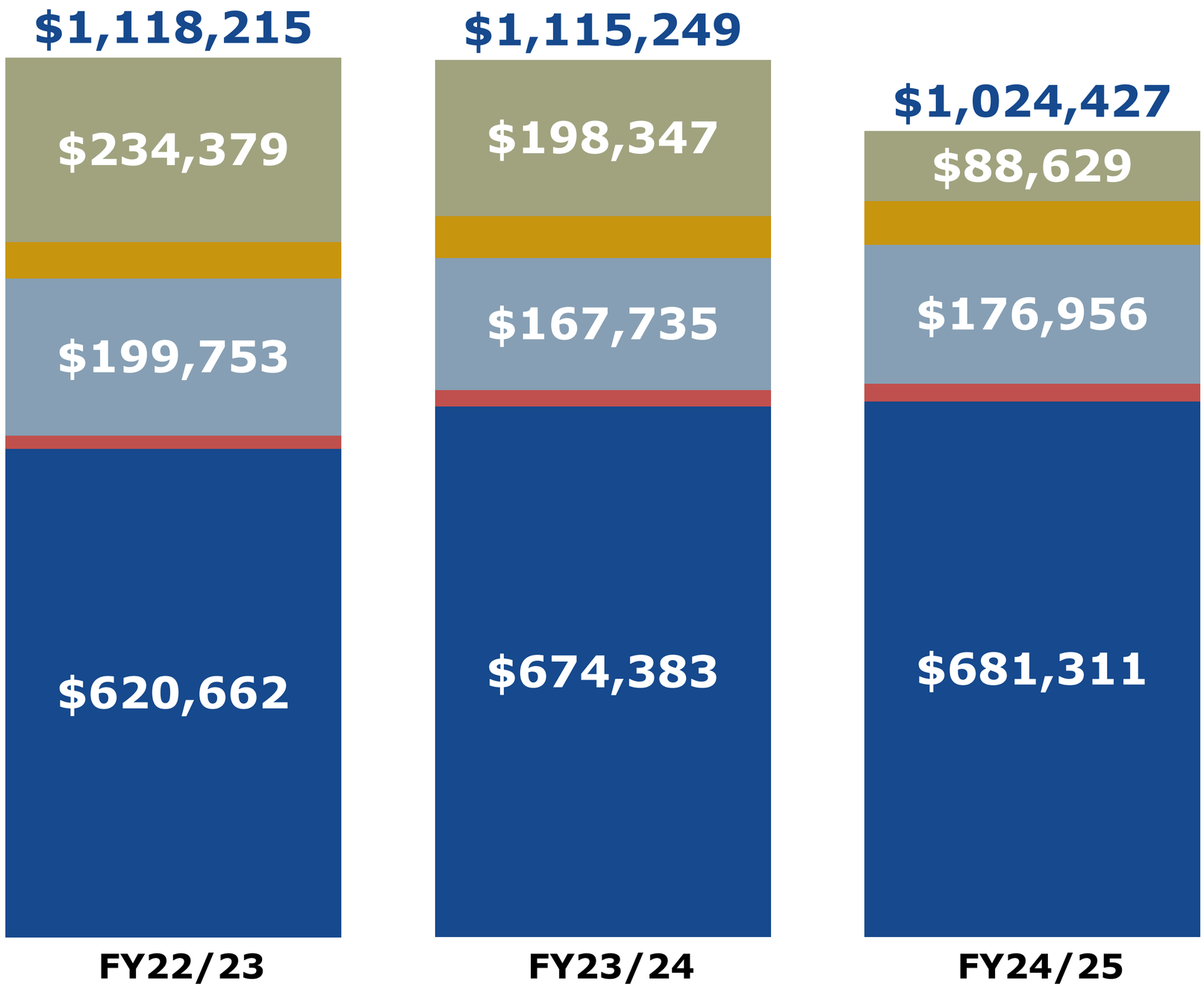


Source: Financial Data reported per Intacct on 9/16/2025

Operating Expenses | 3 Year Trend



● Salary & Benefits ● Contractors ● Facilities ● AOD Assessment ● Other



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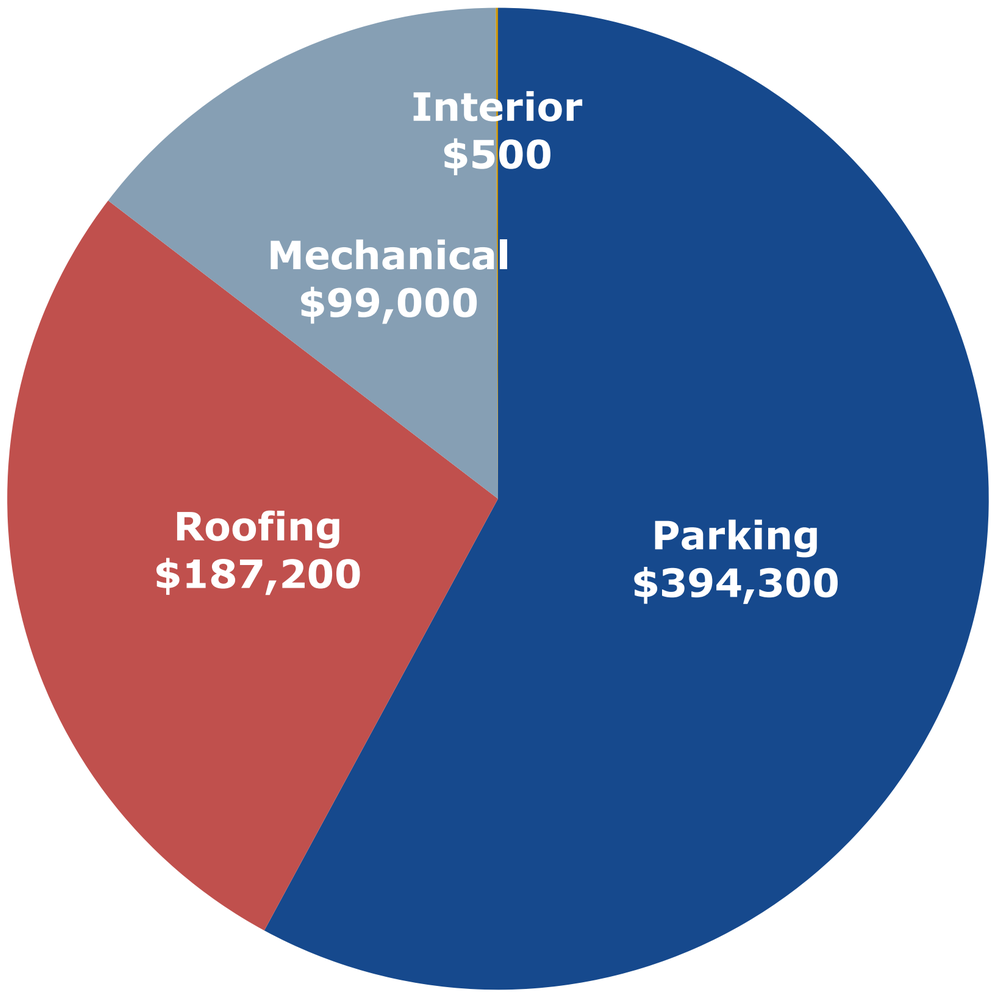
Parish Deferred Maintenance

Maintenance Required

$681,000

Total Estimated Cost



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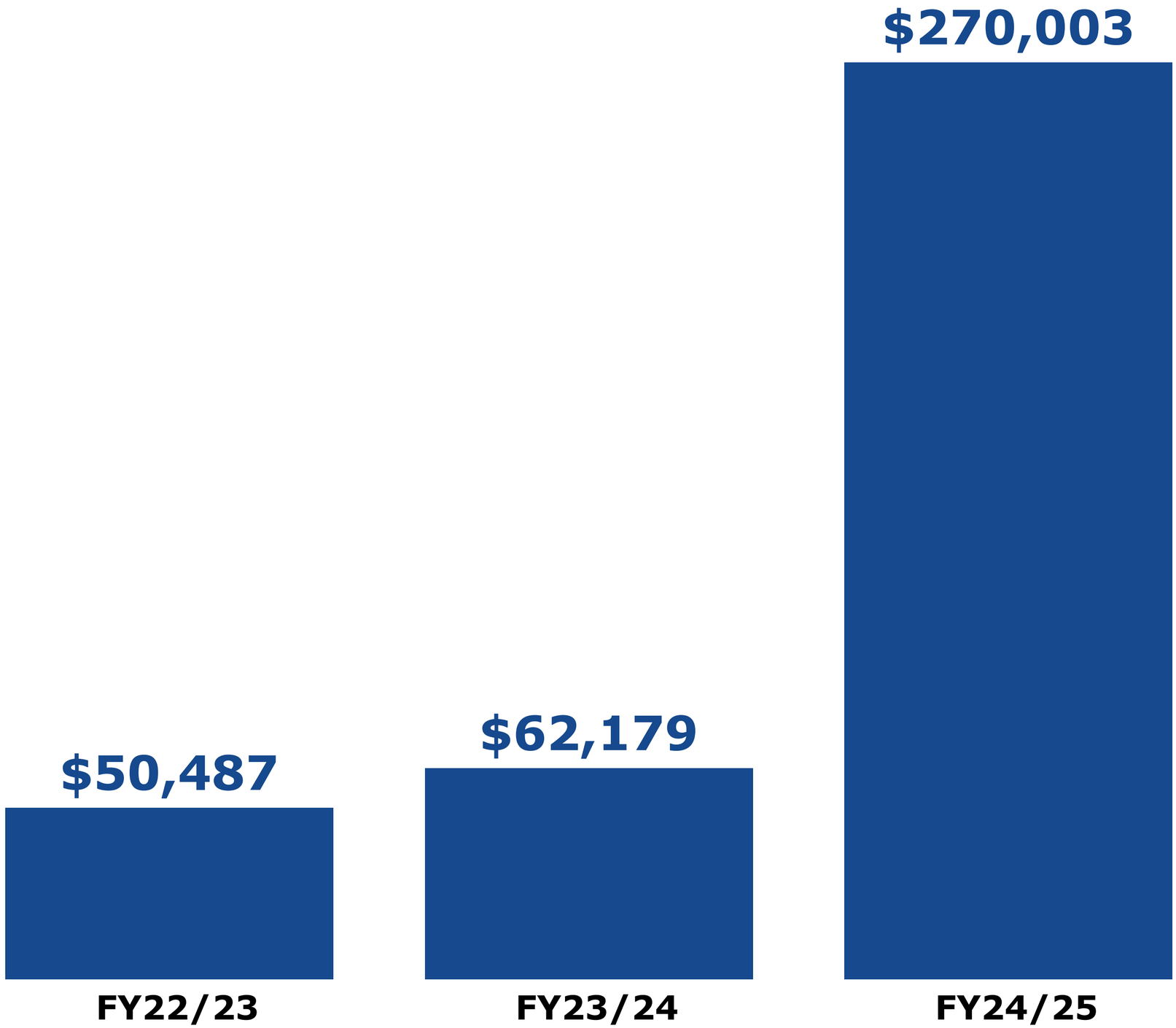
Evaluation Report Date

Source: Property Condition Evaluation

Capital Expenses | 3 Year Trend



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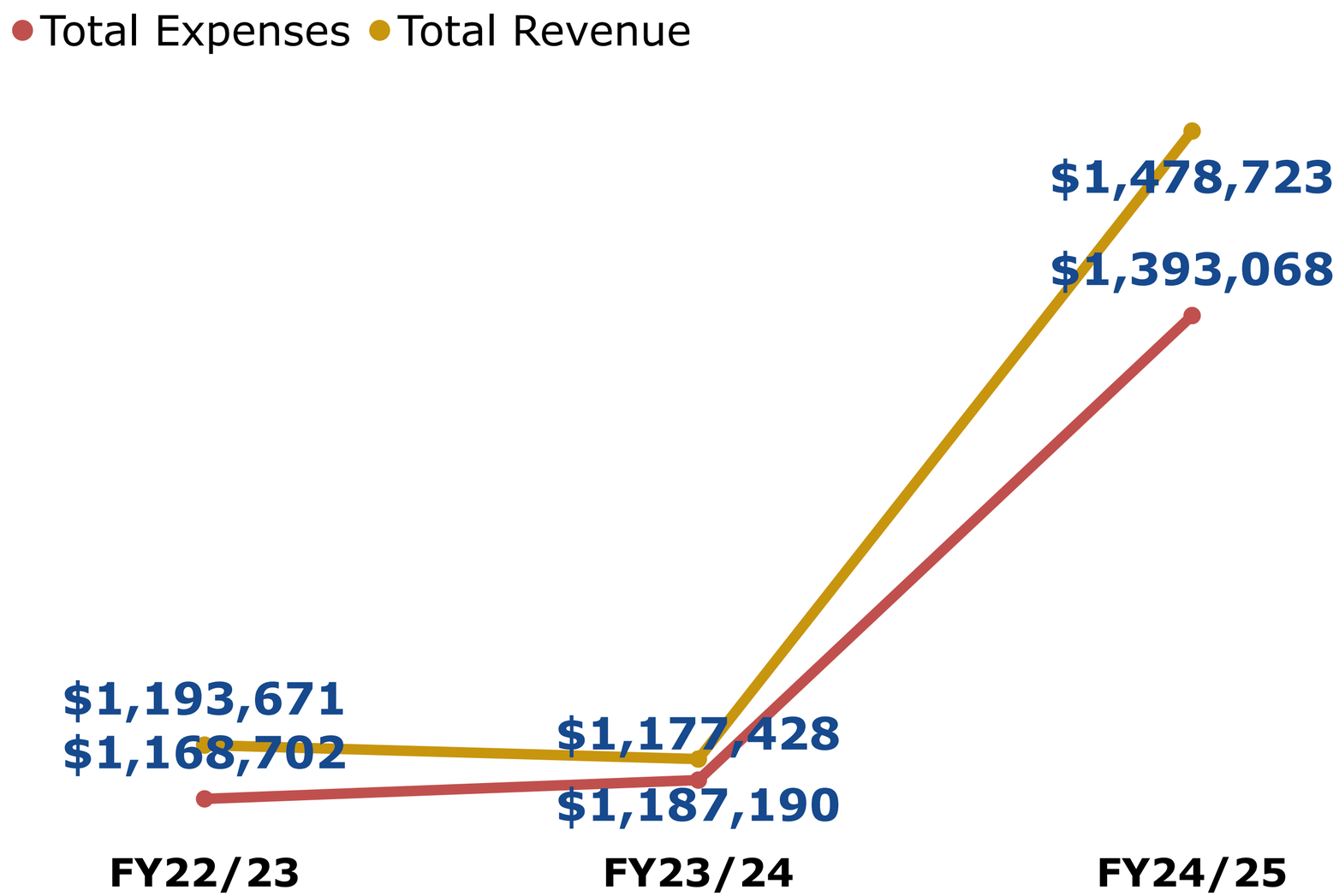
Revenue and Expenses



Net Income/(Deficit)

FY22/23	FY23/24	FY24/25
$24,969	$9,761	$85,655

The relationship between revenue and expense shows net surplus/(deficit).

A higher yellow line (revenue) shows a positive net income in a given year.

A higher red line (expense) shows a negative net income in a given year.

Source: Financial Data reported per Intacct on 9/16/2025

Catholic Education Investment

Parish Subsidy for Catholic School

Parish Tuition Scholarships

Parish subsidies fill the gap between tuition and school operating expenses for parishes with a school.

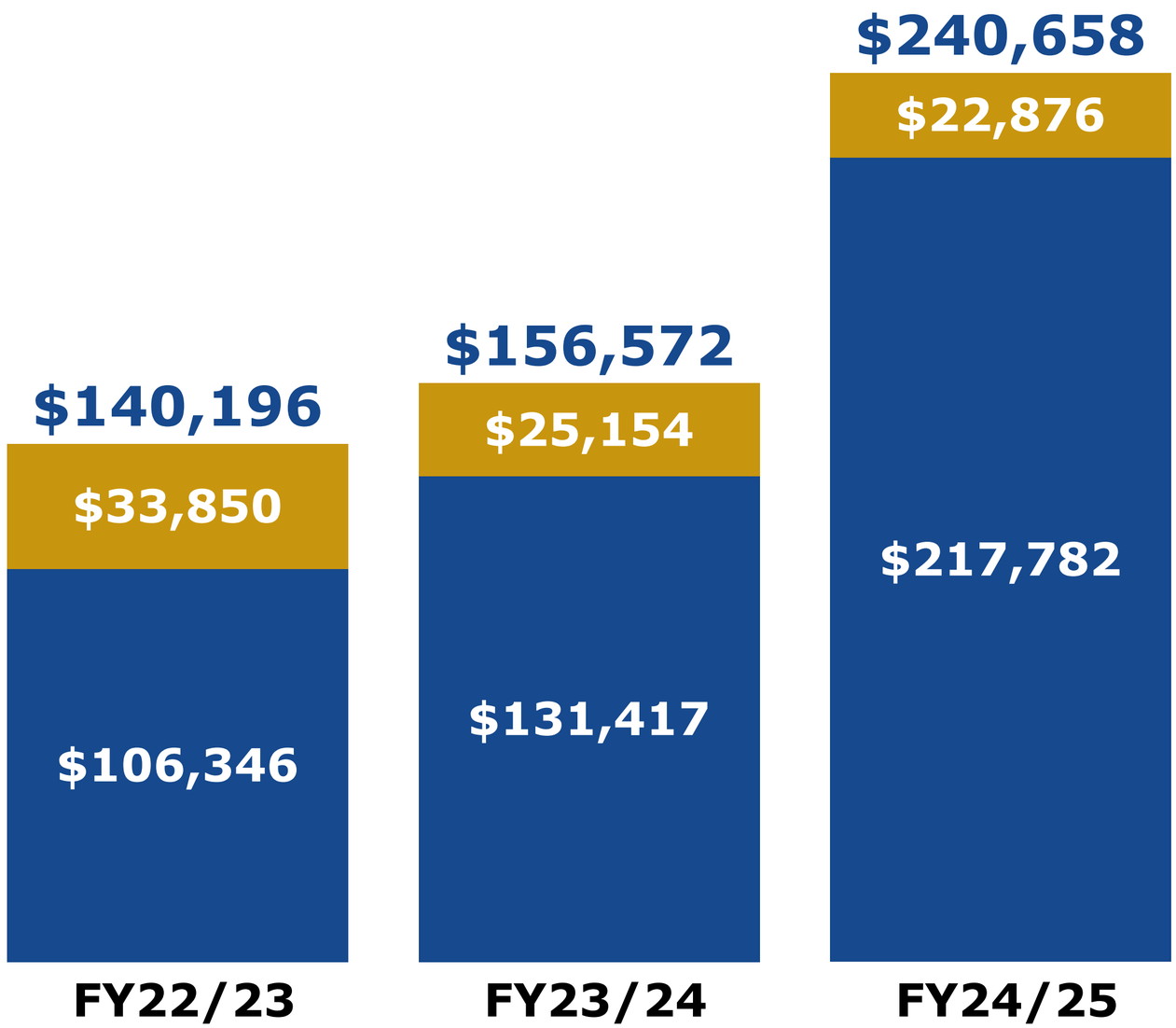
Parish Tuition Scholarships are parish funds used to help cover tuition costs for students attending Catholic Schools outside of the parish.

Source: Financial Data reported per Intacct on 9/16/2025

Savings & Investments Keys for Sustainability

Cash and Savings (Unrestricted)

● Checking ● Savings



An increase of cash and savings usually means the parish is doing well financially. It also means they are better prepared to handle surprise costs or tough times.

If cash and savings goes down, it may mean a parish is spending more, or collecting less. Having less cash can make it harder to deal with unexpected expenses. Sometimes, this drop is planned—like using savings for big projects or repairs.

Source: Financial Data reported per Intacct on 9/16/2025

Savings & Investments
Keys for Sustainability

Savings & Endowments (Restricted)

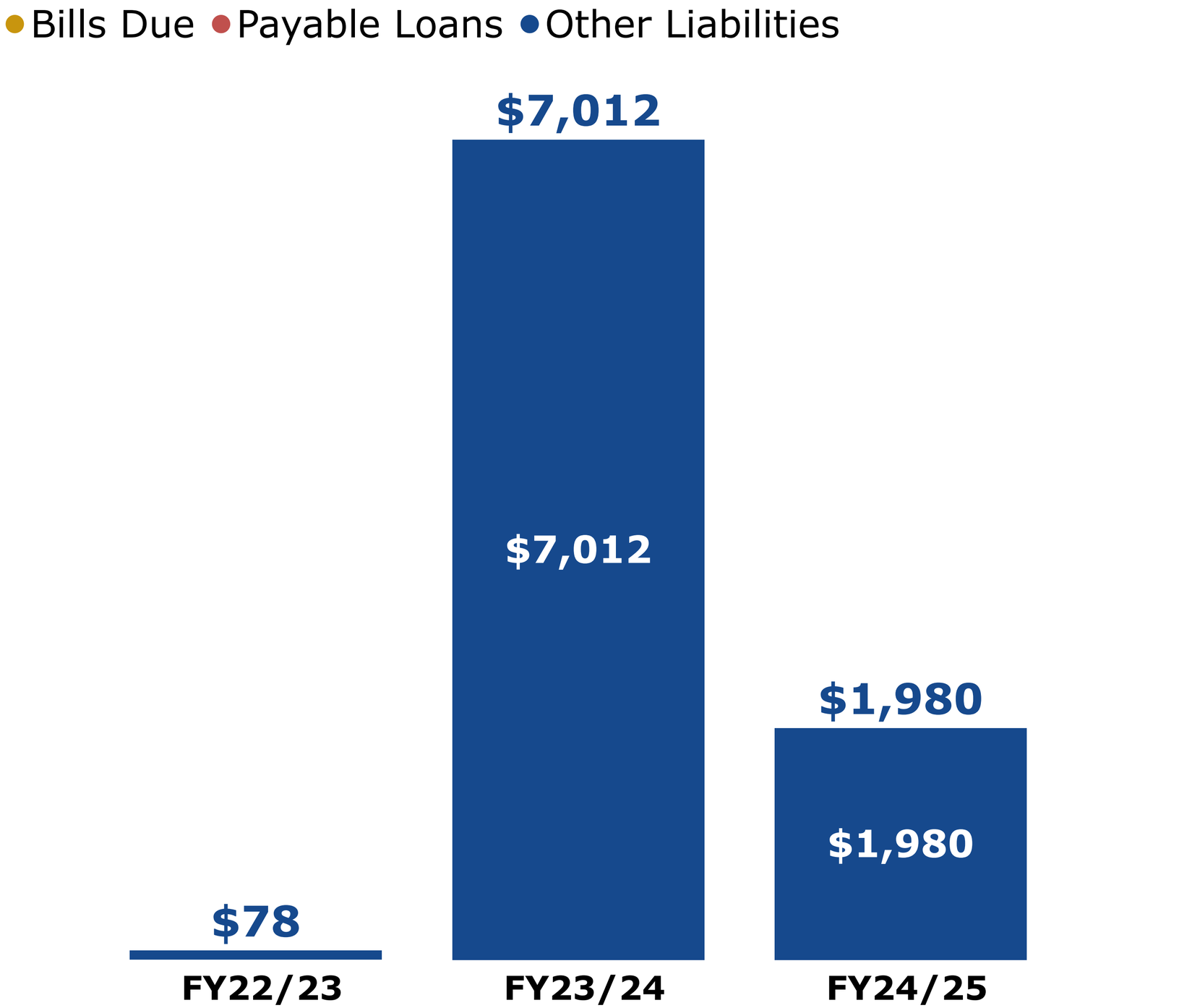
- Endowments
- Donor Restricted Trust

$0	$0	$0
FY22/23	**FY23/24**	**FY24/25**

Note: AOD Endowments are limited to a 5.25% annual distribution

Source: Financial Data reported per Intacct on 9/16/2025

Debts and Liabilities



Debt going up, may mean a parish is having trouble with money or not bringing in enough cash. More debt also means more risk, especially if income isn't growing.

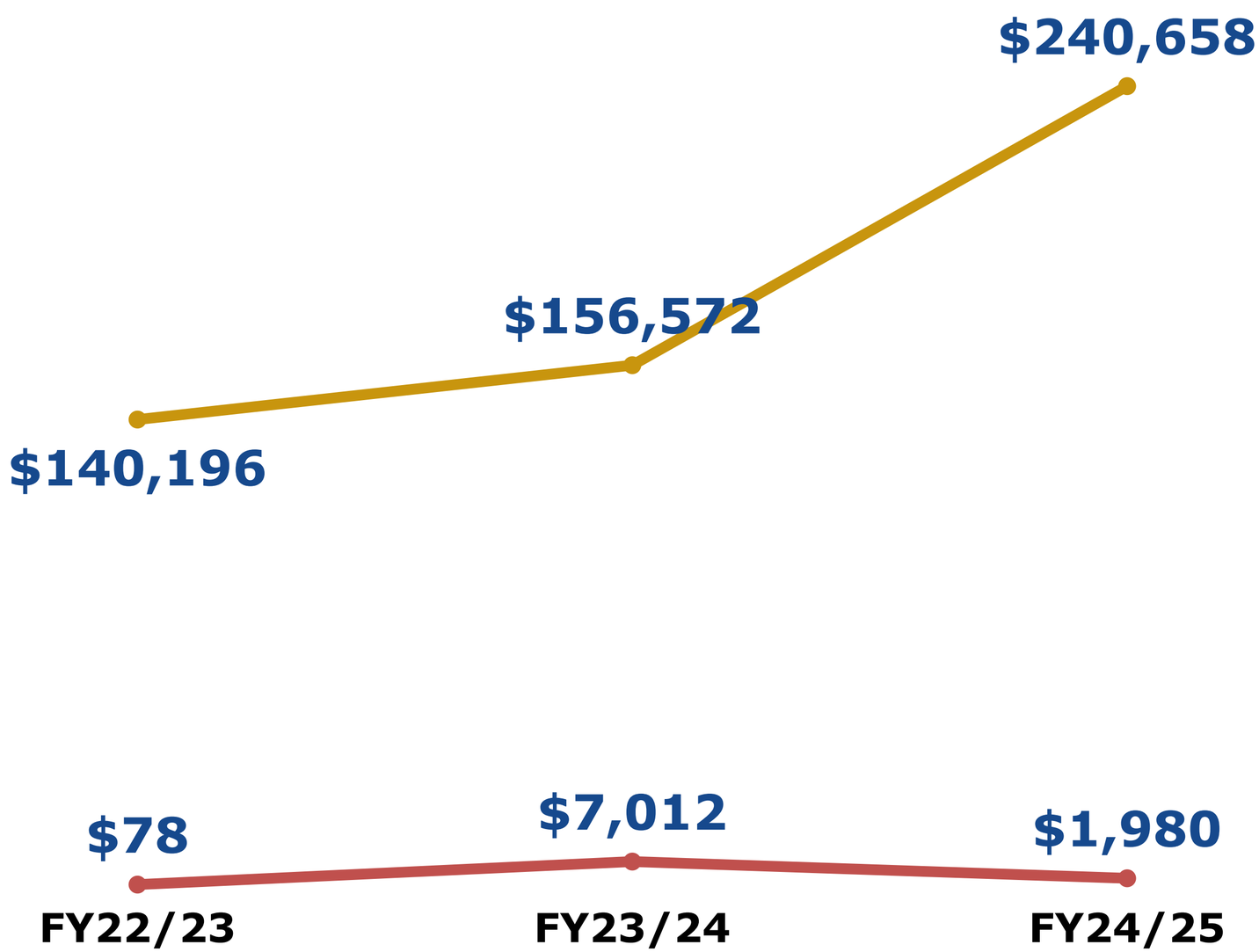
If debt is going down, that's usually a good sign. It means the parish is paying off what it owes and becoming more financially stable. It could also mean they're spending wisely and managing money better.

Source: Financial Data reported per Intacct on 9/16/2025

Assets and Liabilities

Relationship of Assets and Liabilities

● Unrestricted Cash/Savings ● Debt/Liabilities



The relationship between your Assets and Liabilities shows your net equity (net surplus/deficit) over time.

A higher **yellow** line (Unrestricted Cash/Savings) shows your parish holds more cash than you owe out.

A higher **red** line (liabilities) shows you owe more out than your parish holds in cash.

Note: Cash does not include any funds due, but not yet paid (e.g. Tuition Receivable)

Source: Financial Data reported per Intacct on 9/16/2025

Contextual Comments

The Parish Deferred Maintenance graph reflects the findings from AKT Peerless's Property Condition Evaluation conducted on July 28, 2022. Since then, the parish has addressed all identified concerns, including the parking lot, roof, mechanical systems, and interior repairs. St. Malachy currently has no outstanding maintenance issues.